

HB 2016

Relating to statewide education plans

HB 2016 directs the Oregon Department of Education to develop and implement a statewide education plan for African American students and other students who are not covered under an existing culturally specific plan and who have experienced disproportionate results in education achievement. The plan should address students enrolled in programs from early learning through post-secondary education.

The agency must form an advisory group of multiple stakeholders to develop the plan as well as a grant program. The grants are to be available to early learning service providers, school districts, community based organizations, and post-secondary institutions to address the needs as developed and outlined in the plan. The agency is to report to the Legislature prior to January 2016 on the progress of the plan and its content. Implementation of the plan and the grant program may not start until April 2016.

The Subcommittee recommends an amendment which eliminates the appropriation section since the funding for the bill will be included in the budget bill for the Department of Education.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 2016 be amended by the -A9 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.