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# MEMORANDUM

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**To:** *Education Subcommittee*

**From:** *Krista McDowell, Legislative Fiscal Office*  
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**Date:** June 19, 2015

**Subject:** *SB 78*  
Work Session Recommendations

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SB 78 - A relates to teacher education. The bill requires the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) to establish standards related to a teacher education program to be accredited by a national organization, as well as adopt standards related to the approval of a public teacher education program of more than four years duration.

The measure, amendment, and original staff measure summary are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS).

The measure previously had a public hearing in the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Education on June 15, 2015.

The measure has a \$200,000 General Fund impact for grants, and an \$83,643 Other Funds impact to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission for one limited-duration position (0.50 FTE).

## **Amendment**

The proposed – A2 amendment to the measure increase Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission by \$83,643 in the 2015-17 biennium.

**Motion: Move the –A2 amendment to SB 78 .**

## **Measure as Modified**

The measure, as amended, is recommended to be moved to the full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

**Motion: Move SB 78 to the full committee with a “do pass” recommendation, as amended.**

**Assignment of Carriers**

Full: \_\_\_\_\_

1<sup>st</sup> Chamber: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Chamber: \_\_\_\_\_

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION****Measure: SB 78 - A2**Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2015 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office**Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed  
Versions are Considered Official**Prepared by: Krista McDowell  
Reviewed by: Doug Wilson  
Date: 6/16/2015**Measure Description:**

Modifies requirements for becoming approved teacher education program.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
General Fund	\$200,000	
Other Funds	83,643	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$283,643</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Positions	1	
FTE	0.50	

**Local Government Mandate:**

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Analysis:**

The bill requires the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) to establish standards related to a teacher education program to be accredited by a national organization, as well as adopt standards related to the approval of a public teacher education program of more than four years duration. The Teacher Education Program Accreditation Account is established and \$200,000 General Fund is appropriated to the account; then on July 1, 2022 the account is abolished and any moneys remaining that are unexpended, unobligated, and not subject to any conditions, are to be transferred to the General Fund.

State accreditation grant funds are supported by the \$200,000 General Fund appropriation contained in the bill. Other implementation costs include the need for one limited-duration Principal Executive/Management position (.50 FTE) at an estimated cost of \$83,643 Other Funds for the 2015-17 biennium; and will be supported by licensure and fingerprint fees collected by the TSPC. The position will develop rules and accreditation standards with stakeholder input. Furthermore, the bill does not differentiate between currently funded nationally accredited programs and already funded programs, so a formula for distribution will also need to be developed by the position.

The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that the TSPC has not had any grant-funding experience in the past 15 years and does not have an automated system for grant tracking and accounting purposes; therefore this grant program will be highly labor dependent. Should funding for the grant program be appropriated after the 2015-17 budget cycle, the agency will likely incur costs, which have not been accounted for in this analysis, for personnel or the acquisition of information technology to track and manage the grants.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 78**

1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, after line 27, insert:

2 **“SECTION 7. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures,**  
3 **the limitation on expenditures established by section 1, chapter \_\_,**  
4 **Oregon Laws 2015 (Enrolled Senate Bill 5538), for the biennium begin-**  
5 **ning July 1, 2015, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from**  
6 **fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but**  
7 **excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the**  
8 **Teacher Standards and Practices Commission, is increased by \$83,643**  
9 **for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of ORS 342.147, as**  
10 **amended by section 1 of this 2015 Act.”.**

11 In line 28, delete “7” and insert “8”.

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