

SB 698

Relating to school nursing

SB 698 creates a position of a State School Nursing Consultant in the Oregon Health Authority to coordinate and collaborate with the Oregon Department of Education's school nurse specialist in providing leadership and integration in the delivery of nursing services in schools. The bill also establishes the 14-member Task Force on School Nursing charged with examining and recommending sustainable funding sources for school health services. The bill requires the Governor to consider diversity in relation to race, ethnicity, languages and disability status in appointing members to the task force.

The recommended amendment appropriates \$216,365 General Fund for the 2015-17 biennium to the Oregon Health Authority to establish the State School Nursing Consultant position.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 698 be amended by the -A6 amendment and be reported out do pass as amended.