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# MEMORANDUM

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**To:** Members of the Education Subcommittee

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**Date:** June 25, 2015

**Subject:** SB 898 Work Session Recommendations

## **Background Information**

SB 898-A in its current version directs the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to award grants to school districts for support service programs (e.g., counselors, behavioral specialists, life skills related, school resource officers), education innovation programs, and education intervention programs. The grants were to be funded with up to \$150 million per biennium from the State School Fund to districts with ADMw counts of less than 8,500.

The –A2 amendment replaces the language of the bill with language related to “5<sup>th</sup> year” students and school formula related revenues. This language restrict districts who have not had a “5<sup>th</sup> year” program during the 2015-16 school from receiving State School Fund distributions for students who have generally completed their graduation requirements but who remain enrolled and take one or more college level courses.

This restriction applies to only the school year 2015-16 and then returns to current law after that school year. It is anticipated that a work group will study this issue before the February 2016 Session and return with recommendations for changes in policy around this issue or to continue the current policy that is presently in place (before implementation of this bill).

## **Recommended Changes to the Bill:**

The Legislative Fiscal Office recommends the –A2 amendment to the bill.

*Sen. /Rep. \_\_\_\_\_ moves the –A2 amendment to SB 898.*

**SB 898 Final Subcommittee Action:**

***Final Motion:***

*Sen./Rep. \_\_\_\_\_ moves SB 898 to the full committee as amended with a “do pass” recommendation.*

**Carriers:**

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

Senate: \_\_\_\_\_

House: \_\_\_\_\_