

**Senate Committee On Education**

**Fiscal:** No Fiscal Impact  
**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 02/05/15  
**Action:** Do Pass With Amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)  
**Meeting Dates:** 02/03, 02/05  
**Senate**  
**Yeas:** 7 - Baertschiger Jr, Beyer, Gelser, Roblan, Knopp, Kruse, Hass

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Adds Chief Education Officer, Oregon Education Investment Board members, and Metropolitan Service District Auditor to list of persons required to file verified statements of economic interest.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Chief Education Officer and Oregon Education Investment Board members have voluntarily filed statements
- Metropolitan Service District Auditor is a publicly elected official, but not currently required to file statements
- No opposition present at public hearing

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

Adds Auditor of Metropolitan Service District to list of persons required to file verified statements of economic interest.

**BACKGROUND:**

Senate Bill 295-A adds the Chief Education Officer, members of the Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB), and the Auditor of the Metropolitan Service District to the list of public officials required to file verified statements of economic interest with the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (OGEC).

ORS 244.050 specifies public officials who are required to file annual statements of economic interest with OGEC. The information public officials are required to report on a statement of economic interest includes: all expenses with an aggregate value exceeding \$50 received while participating in a convention, mission, or negotiation of economic development; all honoraria and other items exceeding a value of \$15; and each source of income exceeding \$1,000, if the source of income is derived from an individual or business that has or could have legislative or administrative interests.

Senate Bill 909 (2011) established the OEIB and Chief Education Officer. The Chief Education Officer and members of the OEIB have been submitting statements of economic interest to OGEC on a voluntary basis. The office of Metro Auditor was established in the Metro Charter, pursuant to ORS 268.730. The Auditor is elected from the metro area at large.