Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY House Committee On Revenue

MEASURE: HB 2927 A CARRIER: Rep. McLain

Fiscal:	Fiscal impact issued
Revenue:	Revenue impact issued
Action Date:	03/25/15
Action:	Do Pass As Amended And Be Printed Engrossed.
Meeting Dates:	03/02, 03/24, 03/25
Vote:	
	Yeas: 6 - Barnhart, Bentz, Davis, Read, Vega Pederson, Whitsett
	Exc: 3 - Johnson, Lininger, Smith Warner
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases the High Cost Disabilities (HCD) Grant from \$18 million per year to \$35 million. Applies first to the 2015-16 school year State School Fund distribution. Takes effect on July 1, 2015.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of High Cost Disabilities Grant
- Declining reimbursement rate

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

The amendment changes the HCD Grant to \$35 million per year.

BACKGROUND:

The current law on the High Cost Disabilities (HCD) Grant states that for a student with approved disabilities costs above \$30,000, the grant is the total cost minus \$30,000. The district grant is the sum of the grants for each student with disabilities costs above \$30,000. The total grants of the HCD Grant cannot exceed \$18 million per year. If the grand total of the grants initially exceed this amount, the grants to all school districts are reduced proportionally.