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Vote:

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands educational services provided by Juvenile Detention Education Program to include juveniles in youth care centers within detention facilities.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Duplication/inefficiency of dividing juvenile populations into two separate education programs
- Increased cost to administer separate programs
- Equitable educational funds and services for all youth regardless of placement

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In juvenile detention facilities, there are two funding streams for education, based on the type of placement: one funding stream is for youth placed in detention, and one funding stream is for youth placed in youth care centers within detention facilities. Education for youth in detention, is the responsibility of a provider under contract with the Oregon Department of Education; and for those in youth care centers, education is the responsibility of the local school district where the detention facility is located. Juveniles in detention facilities are not otherwise segregated for the provision of services.

Senate Bill 475 provides for educational services to all juveniles in detention facilities via the Juvenile Detention Education Program.