

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/13/15

Action: Do Pass And Be Referred To Ways And Means By Prior Reference

Meeting Dates: 04/08, 04/13

Vote:

Yeas: 7 - Barreto, Doherty, Frederick, McLain, Piluso, Reardon, Sprenger

Nays: 2 - Hack, Wilson

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Education for purpose of funding proficiency-based teaching and learning demonstration sites. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2015.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of proficiency-based teaching and learning demonstrations sites, including private funding
- Value of proficiency-based instruction
- Potential to fund four sites for duration of biennium

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 342.950 requires the Department of Education to distribute funding to school districts and nonprofit organizations for the purposes of developing and engaging in proficiency-based or student-centered learning practices and assessments.

House Bill 2982 appropriates \$700,000 in addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation from the General Fund to the Department of Education for the purpose of the continuation, and possible expansion, of proficiency-based teaching and learning demonstration sites that receive funding as provided by ORS 342.950.