Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 217

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee On Education

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/17/15

Action: Without Recommendation As To Passage And Be Referred To Rules.

Meeting Dates: 02/05, 04/17

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Gelser, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan

Exc: 2 - Baertschiger Jr, Hass

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Repeals statutory establishment of three strategic investment programs. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2015.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Strategic investment programs including Oregon Early Reading Program, Guidance and Support for Post-Secondary Aspirations Program, and Connecting to the World of Work Program
- Prescriptive and constraining nature of current statutory language on strategic investment programs
- Role of policy committees in guiding strategic investments
- Role of Joint Committee on Ways and Means in guiding strategic investments

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 217 repeals three strategic investment program statutes established in statute by House Bill 3232 (2013): the Oregon Early Reading Program (ORS 327.815); the Guidance and Support for Post-Secondary Aspirations Program (OS 327.815); and the Connecting to the World of Work Program (ORS 327.820). The statutes detail the purposes of the programs, criteria for monetary distributions, and reporting requirements, and the Oregon Education Investment Board currently administers the programs.