

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

MEASURE: SB 295 A
CARRIER: Rep. Doherty

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact
Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 05/06/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/27, 05/06

Vote:

Yeas: 9 - Barreto, Doherty, Frederick, Hack, McLain, Piluso, Reardon, Sprenger, Wilson

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Chief Education Officer, members of Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB), and auditor of metropolitan service districts to file verified statements of economic interest.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Metropolitan Service District Auditor is a publicly elected official, but not currently required to file statements
- OEIB disclosure as providing consistency with requirements of other similar boards and offices

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 244.050 specifies public officials who are required to file annual statements of economic interest with the Oregon Government Ethics Commission (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.

Senate Bill 295-A adds the Chief Education Officer, members of the 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 OGEC.