

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2411 - A

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Legislative Fiscal Office

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Versions are Considered Official*

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Measure Description:

Changes name of Teacher Standards and Practices Commission to Professional Educator Standards Board.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Teacher Standards and Practices Commission, Department of Education

Summary of Revenue Impact:

| | 2015-17 Biennium | 2017-19 Biennium |
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| Other Funds | 1,133,124 | 1,630,760 |
| Total Funds | \$1,133,124 | \$1,630,760 |

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

The bill changes the name of the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) to the Professional Educator Standards Board. The bill also updates terms for teacher education programs and makes changes to the licensure structure for teachers and administrators. The new licensure system will be comprised of the following types of licenses: preliminary educators, professional educators, distinguished educators, legacy educators, and new out-of-state educators. The maximum amount allowed for fees for issuance of license is also increased from \$100 to \$350.

The bill will permit the TSPC to increase application fees for new, renewing and reinstating licenses. The TSPC plans to implement the following fee increases beginning January 1, 2016, contingent upon legislative approval:

- License Renewal \$100 to \$140
- New In-State Licenses \$100 to \$140
- New Out of State Licenses \$120 to \$190
- Charter School Registrations \$25 to \$140
- Late Fees \$25 to \$40/month cap at \$200
- Reinstatements (expired license) \$100 to \$250
- Reinstatements (disciplinary reinstatement) \$100 to \$300

This is estimated to increase revenue by \$1,133,124 Other Funds (OF) in the 2015-17 biennium and \$1,630,760 OF in the 2017-19 biennium. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that while the bill establishes a higher \$350 fee cap, the TSPC will still be required, under ORS 291.055, to return to the Legislative Assembly to ratify any future fee increases or the fee increases will be automatically rescinded on adjournment sine die of the next regular session of the Legislative Assembly.

Costs associated with this bill, particularly associated with the name change, are anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within the existing parameters of the TSPC budget.