

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

**MEASURE: HB 3339 B**  
**CARRIER: Sen. Roblan**

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 05/28/15

**Action:** Do Pass With Amendments To The A-Eng Bill. (Printed B-Eng.)

**Meeting Dates:** 05/21, 05/28

**Vote:**

Yeas: 6 - Baertschiger Jr, Beyer, Hass, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan

Exc: 1 - Gelser

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires Secretary of State conduct audit related to Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC). Details audit requirements. Requires Secretary of State submit report on audit to interim legislative committees on education by January 15, 2016. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Reported problems with services provided by TSPC
- Quality of TSPC services negatively impacted by loss in funding
- Measure seeks to better understand and address reported problems through audit
- Amendments recognize professional accomplishments when awarding teacher leader license

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

Requires Secretary of State audit additionally address: TSPC resources, specified licensing and educator oversight responsibilities; recommendations for improvement; TSPC's governance role in setting expectations, ensuring accountability, and acting transparently. Changes required date that report be submitted. Revises teacher leader license requirements.

**BACKGROUND:**

TSPC was established in 1965 to maintain and improve performance in the education profession by: approving teacher preparation programs offered by Oregon colleges and universities; licensing teachers, administrators, and other personnel employed in Oregon schools; and taking disciplinary actions when educators commit crimes or violate Standards for Competent and Ethical Performance.

House Bill 3339-B requires the Office of the Secretary of State to conduct an audit related to TSPC. It also details the requirements of that audit, and requires the Secretary of State to report to the Legislative Assembly no later than January 15, 2016.