House Bill 3291

Sponsored by Representative BUEHLER; Representative WHISNANT

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Allows school district and post-secondary institutions of education to apply for funding to form K-20 partnership.

Sunsets funding authority June 30, 2017. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2015.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to educational partnerships; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:
 - (a) "K-20 partnership" means a partnership between a school district and one or more post-secondary institutions of education to provide educational services to public school students in kindergarten through post-secondary education.
 - (b) "Post-secondary institution of education" means a community college organized under ORS chapter 341 or a public university listed in ORS 352.002.
 - (2) A school district and one or more post-secondary institutions of education may apply to the Superintendent of Public Instruction to receive funding to form a K-20 partnership as provided by this section.
 - (3) A school district and one or more post-secondary institutions of education that seek to receive funding under this section must submit an application for funding to the Super-intendent of Public Instruction no later than March 2016.
 - (4) An application submitted under this section must describe:
 - (a) The vision for the partnership.
 - (b) The decision makers for the K-20 partnership, who must include teachers, faculty members, school administrators, administrators from each post-secondary institution of education participating in the partnership, the school district superintendent and representatives of community organizations and other entities that have a significant interest in the success of the partnership.
 - (c) The means by which the school district and each post-secondary institution of education participating in the K-20 partnership will coordinate student education, create innovative educational collaboration projects, coordinate communications among the partners and maintain and improve working relationships among the partners.
 - (d) The roles and responsibilities of each partner.
 - (e) The means by which funds will be distributed among the partners.
 - (f) The means by which goals will be set for the partnership and for each partner.
 - (g) How the partnership will improve teacher training and professional development.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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- (h) How students in post-secondary institutions of education will assist in kindergarten through grade 12 classrooms for the purpose of receiving practical experience and providing low-cost assistance.
- (i) How the partners will resolve conflicts, including conflicts related to human resources.
- (j) How the partners may share services and assist each other in providing cost-effective services.
- (k) How teachers become better equipped to address the needs of students who qualify for special education and related services or for enrollment in English as a second language programs as a result of the partnership.
- (L) How the partnership will enable students of the school district to graduate with more college credit.
 - (m) The successful relationship the partners have had working together.
- (5) Nothing in this section waives any requirement under state or federal law related to education, including any assessment requirements.
- (6) The State Board of Education may adopt any additional requirements for grants distributed under this section, including requirements for matching funds.
- (7) The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall make all decisions related to funding distributions under this section no later than October 1, 2016.
 - SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on June 30, 2017.
- SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$2,500,000, which shall be expended for the purpose described in section 1 of this 2015 Act.
- <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect July 1, 2015.