

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**House Committee On Education****Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact**Action Date:** 02/10/16**Action:** Do Pass With Amendments And Be Referred To Ways And Means By Prior Reference. (Printed A-Eng.)**Meeting Dates:** 02/01, 02/10**Vote:**

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

Prepared By: Richard Donovan, Committee Administrator**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Creates Policy Advisory Council on Summer Learning (Council). Specifies membership of Council. Requires Council to report to Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2016. Requires Council to issue final report no later than December 1, 2016. Makes Legislative Administration Committee responsible for associated staffing and costs. Details contents of report requirements, including recommendations for future legislation. Sunsets Council on December 31, 2017. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Negative effects of summer slide
- Documented value of summer school courses/programs
- Specific, exaggerated negative effects summer has on traditionally underserved student populations
- Concern that measure does not require balanced political representation from both chambers of the Legislature; easily addressed by amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Makes the Legislative Administration Committee responsible for associated staffing and costs. Makes Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, rather than Superintendent of Public Instruction, responsible for some appointments. Adds additional member of each chamber of Legislative Assembly to membership of council.

BACKGROUND:

The “summer slide” is the tendency for students to lose some of the achievement gains they made during the previous school year over summer vacation. The National Summer Learning Association states that, “Research spanning 100 years shows that students typically score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer vacation than they do on the same tests at the beginning of the summer.” Students, particularly low-income or otherwise at-risk students, face additional challenges during the summer as well, including lack of productive activities and inconsistent access to food.

House Bill 4050 creates the Policy Advisory Council on Summer Learning (Council), and tasks the Council with the goal of identifying scalable policy recommendations to provide access to summer learning to every student from pre-K through twelfth grade in the state of Oregon by 2022.