

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 02/17/16

**Action:** Do Pass The A-Eng Bill.

**Meeting Dates:** 02/17

**Vote:**

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

Exc: 1 - Beyer

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Department of Education to prepare report related to educational performance of students from families in poverty. Specifies requirements of report, including identification of promising practices undertaken by school districts. Requires report to Legislative Assembly no later than February 15, 2017. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Measure as next step in compiling, reporting on promising practices to address challenges faced by students experiencing poverty
- Narrative nature of survey, with both standardized and free-form portions
- History of related legislation, including HB 2968 (2015) and related work group
- Broad support for amended measure from education stakeholders, collaborative nature of drafting process
- Desire to continue to encourage healthy, educated workforce in Oregon

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, under the distribution formula for the State School Fund, students designated as a “Student in poverty” receive an additional 0.25 weight, for a total weighted Average Daily Membership (ADMw) of 1.25. House Bill 2968 (2015) directed school districts to file annual reports with the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) on students categorized as living in poverty, and also required ODE to report the data to the Legislative Assembly.

House Bill 4057-A requires ODE to prepare a report related to educational performance of students from families in poverty no later than February 15, 2017, and details the contents of the report.