

SB 1004 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 3/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows county governing bodies to dedicate up to \$500,000 of federal forest reserve receipts allocated to the county school fund to career and technical training provided through the public schools under certain circumstances.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

Under state law, all sums received by the state from the federal government as its share of the amounts collected for forest reserve rentals, sales of timber, and other sources from forest reserves within Oregon must be distributed among the counties in which the forest reserves are located. State law requires that counties divide these funds, allocating 75 percent to the county's road fund and 25 percent to the its school fund. Certain counties are allowed to adjust the allocations. In 2015-16, the state took in nearly \$13 million dollars. The federal law authorizing the payments expired and has not been renewed by Congress.