

SB 280 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 3/14, 4/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates an unspecified amount of money to the Department of Education for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017 for the purpose of developing academic content standards for Oregon Studies and supporting teacher training and classroom instruction in Oregon Studies. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2017.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Benefits to students
- Need for teaching multicultural Oregon history

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

ORS 329.492 requires the Department of Education to develop academic content standards for Oregon Studies and prepare related materials to support teacher training and classroom instruction. Senate Bill 280 appropriates funds to the department for this purpose.