

SB 1034 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates a subtraction from federal taxable income for an amount equal to the principal and interest payments made by a taxpayer during the tax year on qualifying education loans under certain circumstances.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

In the 2013-14 school year, 3,319 students at Oregon's public institutions of higher education were awarded federal student loans. These students comprise 42 percent of all students enrolled. They received a total of \$22,515,523.00, or \$6,694 in federal student loans on average. The Institute for College Access and Success reports that average student debt in Oregon increased 51 percent from 2004 to 2014.