

SB 4-A: Phases in implementation of number of required minutes of physical education.

Background: 10 years ago, the legislature passed HB 3141, establishing PE minute requirements for k-8 schools. At least 150 minutes for elementary schools, and 225 minutes for middle schools. School districts were given 10 years to implement these requirements, and they are scheduled to go into effect July of this year. Currently, only around 10% of Oregon schools are meeting these requirements.

Bill effects: SB 4-A is a culmination of a workgroup between PE advocates, including The Heart Association and OHSU, and school associations, including OEA, COSA, and OSBA, to find a solution that ensure students receive quality PE and that schools are able to implement it through a structured and reasonable timeline. SB 4-A has 5 major components updating the PE standards for k-8 education:

- 1. Proposed New Timeline for Implementing PE Instructional Minute Requirements (page 4, line 30 through page 6, line 1)**
 - 2017-18 and 2018-19 school years – No minute requirements to allow school districts additional time to prepare.
 - 2019-2020 – Elementary required 120 minutes (80% of required minutes)
 - 2020-2021 – Elementary required full compliance 150 minutes
 - 2021-2022 – Middle School required 180 minutes (80% of required minutes)
 - 2022-2023 – Middle School required full compliance 225 minutes
- 2. Technical Changes to Address School Schedule Differences (page 1, lines 14-21 through page 2, lines 1-6)**
- 3. Safety Valve When Budgets Are Below Current Service Level (page 2, lines 7-20)**
- 4. Limited Flexibility for Elementary Teachers to Instruct All Students in PE (Page 3, lines 2-13 and page 4, lines 14-27)**
- 5. A Process to Continue Collaboration Towards Implementing Middle School PE Minutes (Page 6, lines 26-30 and page 7, lines 1-27)**

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