

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 208 - A10

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Measure Description:

Provides that school district may not deny participation in interscholastic activities by student who attends public charter school or virtual public charter school.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

School Districts

Analysis:

The bill permits a homeschooled student or a public charter school students to participate in interscholastic athletics at public schools if the student meets certain requirements specified by the bill. School districts must be reimbursed, by public charter schools, a fee of up to five percent of the per student Average Daily Membership weighted (ADMw). An additional fee, equivalent to not more than five percent of the amount of the school district’s General Purpose Grant per ADMw, may be assessed if participating in the interscholastic activity requires the student to enroll in a course for credit; this fee may not exceed, for each interscholastic activity, more than five percent of the original fee which was calculated based on the per student ADMw.

At this time, the Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) believes that the ramifications of this measure are not fully understood and therefore the fiscal impact cannot be determined. The number of students, as well as the quantity and type of interscholastic athletic activities that each student will participate in, is unknown; these factors will drive the overall costs estimates for school districts. It should be noted that the amount of overall state funding does not change, but the bill may affect the amount of school formula revenue available to the school district and how much is available to the charter school.

The ADMw for each school district will vary by district, however the Oregon Department of Education currently averages ADMw at \$7,310 per student. Based on this average, primary reimbursements to school districts from public charter schools will be roughly \$365.50, for each student that attends a public charter school and participates in an interscholastic activity. Based on this average, the additional fee which may be assessed by districts, which cannot exceed five percent of the original fee, is estimated to not exceed \$383.78 for each interscholastic activity in which the student participates. As amended by the -A10 amendment, this fee must be paid to a school that offers the interscholastic activity, and the school district is not permitted to sponsor the public charter school that the student attends.