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Measure: HB 2038 - A13

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Measure Description:

Modifies purposes for which school districts may receive grants to pay for costs incurred by school districts to purchase food produced or processed in state.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education, Education Service Districts (ESD), School Districts

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
General Fund	\$4,500,000	
Total Funds	\$4,500,000	\$0

Analysis:

As amended by the -A13 amendment, the bill appropriates \$4.5 million General Fund (GF) in the 2017-19 biennium to the Department of Education (ODE) for the Farm-to-School Program. The non-competitive grant portion of the Farm-to-School Program, which assists school districts in paying for the purchase of food produced or processed in this state, is amended to specify that a school district may not supplant purchases of Oregon grown or processed foods regularly made by a school district prior to participation in the Farm to School Grant Program; the Department of Education is also granted authority to make exceptions to this requirement by rule. The organizations eligible for the competitive grant portion of the Farm-to-School Program, which provides funding for agriculture-based or garden-based educational activities, are expanded to include education service districts, federally recognized Indian Tribes, schools overseen by the Bureau of Indian Education, and soil and water conservation districts. Administrative costs to ODE associated with the Farm-to-School grants are anticipated to be absorbable within existing parameters of the agency 2017-19 budget.

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