

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Out-of-School Youth.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Education (ODE), Department of Human Services (DHS), Employment Department, Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC), Oregon Health Authority (OHA),

Analysis:

House Bill 2657 directs the Youth Development Council within the Department of Education to develop a statewide plan to provide out-of-school youth with opportunities to reengage in education or the workforce. In addition, the bill creates the Task Force on Youth Reengagement charged with evaluating state policies, consulting with experts, and analyzing national reengagement systems to identify approaches for Oregon’s youth reengagement initiatives. The bill takes effect on the 91st day after the end of the 2017 legislative session. The task force must report to the legislature by September 15, 2018. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2018.

Oregon Department of Education (ODE)

The Department of Education estimates the fiscal impact of developing a plan to provide out-of-school youth with opportunities to reengage in education or the workforce to be \$48,400 General Fund. This amount reflects consulting fees and technical assistance, and assumes that the Youth Development Council can build on an existing plan. The fiscal also assumes that ODE will absorb the costs of staffing task force meetings, performing outreach to stakeholder groups, as well as conducting research and analysis by reprioritizing duties and responsibilities of existing staff. These costs only represent the costs associated with the development of the plan. Further costs are possible if the plan is implemented.

Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Employment Department, Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal impact on these agencies. These agencies expect to appoint a representative to serve on the task force, and play a role in furnishing the task force with existing available data, information, advice, and other support. This fiscal impact assumes that these agencies will reprioritize duties and responsibilities of existing staff in order to support the task force.