A-Engrossed House Bill 2382

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Sponsored by Representative BARRETO; Representatives BARKER, BOONE, EVANS, GILLIAM, GOMBERG, HACK, HUFFMAN, KENNEMER, MCLAIN, OLSON, SMITH G, WILSON, WITT (at the request of former Representatives Brent Barton, Betty Komp) (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the

Directs Department of Education to coordinate with Oregon FFA Association to increase student achievement and improve college attendance and career placement for students enrolled in agricultural education courses.

[Directs department to establish grant program to support public school agricultural programs.] Directs department to establish grant program for purpose of funding extended duty contracts to agricultural and science educational programs during summer months.

Directs expenses of grant [programs] program to be paid from High School Graduation and

College and Career Readiness Fund.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to agricultural education; creating new provisions; amending sections 2 and 3, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2017 (Ballot Measure 98 (2016)); and declaring an emergency.

Whereas school-based agricultural education is built upon the three core, integral tenets of classroom and laboratory learning, student leadership through the National FFA Organization and experiential learning through supervised agricultural experience; and

Whereas to sustain and expand the influence of agricultural education in this state, Oregon is best served by systematically investing in all three core, integral tenets; and

Whereas the Oregon FFA Association provides the student leadership component to an integrated agricultural education model, including organizing leadership development conferences, providing in-class presentations, coordinating career development events, facilitating scholarship funds and managing award programs; and

Whereas the Oregon FFA Association connects real-world applications to classroom learning, provides unequaled leadership training opportunities and leverages industry support and engagement; and

Whereas agricultural science and technology programs are year-round programs providing guidance, supervision, training and advising to students beyond the school year as they engage in real-world experiential learning projects; and

Whereas the estimated state economic impact of student supervised agricultural experiences, the majority of which are entrepreneurship projects, is currently documented at over \$13.8 million; now, therefore,

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. In order to increase student achievement and improve graduation rates,

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22 23 college attendance and career placement for students enrolled in secondary agricultural education courses, the Department of Education shall coordinate with the Oregon FFA Association to:

- (1) Enroll each student registered in a grades 9 through 12 school agricultural education program for a minimum of one course per school year of an approved agriculture, science and technology program of study as a member of the National FFA Organization.
- (2) Provide financial support for leadership development and training through multiple programs, including but not limited to:
- (a) Leadership tour training for every student enrolled in an approved agriculture, science and technology course at every high school;
 - (b) School district-level leadership camps;

- (c) Regional leadership conferences for first year members;
- (d) Statewide training for Oregon FFA Association officers; and
- (e) Oregon FFA Association officer recruitment, training and coaching.
- (3) Coordinate and host a minimum of 24 state-level competitive events throughout the year focused on agricultural career exploration and preparation.
- (4) Coordinate student recognition and awards programs in conjunction with state and national FFA conventions.
- (5) Work with the Oregon State Fair to plan and implement FFA participation at the Oregon State Fair.
- (6) Provide general and financial administration, communication, membership activities and management of FFA programs.
- SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$1,800,000, to be expended for the Oregon FFA Association for purposes described in section 1 of this 2017 Act.
- SECTION 3. (1) The Department of Education shall establish and administer a grant program for the purpose of funding extended duty contracts in school districts to allow school district personnel to manage agricultural and science educational programs during the summer months between school years.
- (2) A school district that applies for a grant under subsection (1) of this section must demonstrate in the application that:
- (a) Any teacher involved in the summer agricultural and science educational program holds a valid Oregon teaching license, with an endorsement in agriculture, as described in rules of the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission;
- (b) The school district has developed a calendar of activities that has been approved by school district administrative personnel and reviewed by a department specialist for career and technical agricultural education;
- (c) A school day will consist of eight hours and that any exceptions will be reflected in the calendar of activities and be approved by the school district; and
- (d) The school district will develop and file with each affected school principal a weekly schedule and a monthly report outlining accomplishments related to the calendar of activities and will file a final report with the department prior to the beginning of the next school year.
 - (3) The department shall collect data from each school district that receives a grant un-

der subsection (1) of this section to ensure compliance with this section. Each school district that receives a grant under subsection (1) of this section shall file with the department a final program report on a date specified by the department. The report must be filed on forms provided by the department.

SECTION 4. Section 2, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2017 (Ballot Measure 98 (2016)), is amended to read:

Sec. 2. The High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Fund is established in the General Fund for the purposes of improving the graduation rates and college and career readiness of all high school students in Oregon. The Legislative Assembly shall appropriate, allocate or otherwise make available to the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Fund an amount not less than \$800 per high school student per school year. The fund is continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for the purposes of sections 2 to 16 [of this 2016 Act], chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2017 (Ballot Measure 98 (2016)), and section 3 of this 2017 Act.

SECTION 5. Section 3, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2017 (Ballot Measure 98 (2016)), is amended to read:

Sec. 3. (1)(a) Subject to sections 10 and 14, chapter 1, Oregon Laws 2017 (Ballot Measure 98 (2016)), and section 3 of this 2017 Act [of this 2016 Act], for school years beginning on or after July 1, 2017, the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Fund shall be apportioned to each school district based on the extended weighted average daily membership of high school students computed as provided in ORS 327.013 (1)(c).

(b) In the event the Department of Education is unable to determine the extended weighted average daily membership of high school students for a school district, the department may determine the average extended weighted average daily membership for all students in the school district and apply the average extended weighted average daily membership to the number of high school students in the school district.

(2)(a) For school years beginning on or after July 1, 2018, the amount appropriated, allocated or otherwise made available to the fund under section 2, **chapter 1**, **Oregon Laws 2017** (**Ballot Measure 98 (2016))**, [of this 2016 Act] shall be increased each school year in a biennium by the amount derived from the application of the process in Executive Order 14-14 used to calculate the cost to maintain the current level of service.

(b) The intent of paragraph (a) of this subsection is to apply the process in Executive Order 14-14 in the event Executive Order 14-14 is canceled, superseded or otherwise made ineffective.

SECTION 6. Sections 1 and 3 of this 2017 Act first apply to the 2017-2018 school year.

<u>SECTION 7.</u> This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.