

SB 1522 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Gelser

Senate Committee On Education

Action Date: 02/12/18

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 7-0-0-0

Yeas: 7 - Bentz, Dembrow, Gelser, Hass, Linthicum, Roblan, Thomsen

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Returns language in ORS 339.115 to status prior to passage of Senate Bill 20 (2017), requiring districts to admit students who have already received a modified diploma. Makes modified diploma recipients in Youth Corrections Educational Program eligible for transition services. Allows modified diploma recipients to be eligible for the Expanded Options Program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Benefits of transitional services
- Needs of modified diploma recipients
- Legislative history

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Makes modified diploma recipients in Youth Corrections Educational Program eligible for transition services. Allows modified diploma recipients to be eligible for the Expanded Options Program.

BACKGROUND:

Passage of Senate Bill 20 (2017) changed requirements that school districts admit students who had already received modified diplomas, resulting in students not being able to receive transition services. Senate Bill 1522-A returns requirements relating to admission of modified diploma recipients back to their status prior to passage of Senate Bill 20, allowing recipients of modified diplomas to once again receive transition services.