HB 2512 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 1/30, 2/4

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires one member on State Board of Education (SBE) be engaged in teaching or licensed teacher. Increases SBE voting members from seven to eight. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued. FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 326.021 requires seven voting members on the State Board of Education (SBE) appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate, with an additional two ex-officio board members (Secretary of State and State Treasurer). Five of the voting members represent Oregon's five congressional districts and two members represent the state at large. SBE members serve four-year terms and meet at least six times per year. The Oregon Department of Education website indicates that the SBE has three advisors, including one student advisor.

HB 2512 adds a member who is engaged in teaching, or a licensed teacher, to the State Board of Education. This measure would increase the number of board members from seven to eight.