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Measure Description:

Changes name of Oregon Virtual School District to Oregon Online.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education (ODE)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis: This bill changes the name of the Oregon Virtual School District to Oregon Digital Learning Academy and allows Oregon Online to provide access to a wider array of courses and increased flexibility. The bill would also would start addressing quality issues with online schools by establishing standards and providing professional learning opportunities.

There is no cost associated with the name change and current resources (\$1.6 million per biennium through a State School Fund "carve-out) support the improvement of educational outcomes. The agency has expressed interest in increasing the amount of funding for this purpose, but no additional resources are included in the Governor's budget.