

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2327

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Measure Description:

Establishes Statewide School Safety and Prevention System.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Education Service Districts (ESD), Oregon State Police (OSP), Department of Education (ODE), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), School Districts

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
General Fund	\$3,870,000	\$3,870,000
Total Funds	\$3,870,000	\$3,870,000
Positions	1	1
FTE	0.92	1.00

Analysis: This bill requires the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to set up a Statewide School Safety and Prevention System. The program has four components: (1) assist schools in creating programs to decrease incidences of harassment, intimidation, or bullying; (2) assist schools in decreasing youth suicide utilizing school safety and prevention specialist intervention; (3) assist schools in identifying, assessing and supporting students who present a risk of violence; and (4) help promote SafeOregon, the existing school safety tip line. In addition, the bill also creates School Safety and Prevention Specialist positions (non-state staff) to develop the program, provide coordination and training of local teams, and ongoing support and consultation to school partners.

ODE will require one Program Analyst 3 (0.92 FTE) based on recommendations provided in the report from the Oregon Task Force on School Safety. The bill appropriates \$3,870,000 General Fund to establish the program and provide grants to Education Service Districts (ESDs) for eight Regional School Safety and Prevention Specialists, Youth Suicide Prevention and five Wellness Promotion Specialists , and three Student Threat Assessment Training and Technical Assistance Specialists . ODE does not anticipate funding these positions until the second year of the biennium and does not anticipate using the full expenditure authority contained in the bill. Given this, the amount of the appropriation in this bill should be adjusted by the Joint Ways and Means Committee. This program is included in the Governor’s budget for the Oregon Department of Education.

School Districts, Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon State Police anticipate a minimal fiscal impact.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State’s General Fund.