

HB 2967 -3 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Relating to CTE

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-3 Replaces measure contents. Defines computer science. Requires Oregon Department of Education (ODE) award grants to school districts to provide courses in computer science as part of Career Technical Education (CTE) program. Requires grant be used to establish or expand CTE program in computer science and establishes provisions districts by which districts may use funds. Requires ODE approve grant applicants based on districts being able to (1) demonstrate the program will establish or expand CTE; (2) encourages computer science participation in minorities, women, families in poverty, small districts, or districts in rural communities; (3) and supports entering into partnerships with other entities; or be part of a national intuitive helping high schools adopt inclusive, evidence-supported courses to prepare students. Requires State Board of Education adopt rules providing calculation of grant awarded in this section, and requires minimum award amount for small school districts and district in rural communities. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Department of Education has organized its secondary Career Technical Education (CTE) programs into six career learning areas including (1) agriculture, (2) arts and information, (3) business and management, (4) health sciences, (5) human resources, and (6) industrial and engineering systems. ODE requires collaboration between secondary and post-secondary CTE stakeholders.