SB 739 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Joint Committee On Student Success

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Sub-Referral To:	Joint Committee On Ways and Means
Meeting Dates:	5/14

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates $2.5 million from the General Fund to expand the Oregon Research Schools Network. Appropriates funds to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to University of Oregon. Declares emergency, effective on July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Accountability measures
- Need to expand the program
- Scalability to all Oregon school districts and schools
- Teacher-led professional development
- Student voice and empowerment
- Train the trainer models
- Graduation rates
- Equity lens
- Trauma-informed practices
- High-mobility students
- Data-driven practices

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Research Schools Network (ORSN) is a partnership between the University of Oregon (UO) College of Education and high schools. Under ORSN, UO faculty members work with teachers and administrators to develop data-driven, research-based practices to improve graduation rates and student performance, with a focus on professional development and dual-credit initiatives. Senate Bill 739 provides $2.5 million in state funding to expand ORSN to additional high schools.

PRELIMINARY