

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2579 - A7

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Measure Description:

Expands types of entities that may receive grant from Farm-to-School Grant Program to purchase food produced or processed in state or to identify sources of foods or to process foods.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education (ODE), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), School Districts

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

Department of Education	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
General Fund	\$10,350,000	\$10,350,000
Total Funds	\$10,350,000	\$10,350,000
Positions	1	1
FTE	0.50	0.50

Department of Agriculture	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
Other Funds	\$500,000	\$500,000
Total Funds	\$500,000	\$500,000
Positions		
FTE		

Analysis: The bill expands the types of entities that may receive grants from the Farm-to-School Grant Program, the purposes for which the grant may be used, the types of entities that may receive grant for food-based, agriculture-based or garden-based educational activities. The bill also directs the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to evaluate the effectiveness of the programs and to ensure that technical assistance and resources are provided to certain entities. The measure directs the Department of Agriculture to enter into an agreement with ODE to distribute funding for infrastructure and equipment.

The bill appropriates a total of \$10.35 million General Fund to ODE for the purposes of the Farm-to-School program. A portion of that appropriation, \$500,000, is transferred to the Department of Agriculture to distribute funding for infrastructure and equipment as Other Funds as outlined by the measure. The Department of Agriculture will distribute the funds using existing resources and no additional staff for the program are required.