

SB 535 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Housing

Action Date: 01/28/19

Action: Without recommendation as to passage and be returned to President's desk for referral to another committee.

Vote: 4-0-1-0

Yeas: 4 - Fagan, Girod, Golden, Monnes Anderson

Exc: 1 - Knopp

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: Revenue impact issued

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Meeting Dates: 1/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases weight allotted certain children for School Fund distribution purposes. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- No discussion; measure moved for re-referral to another committee.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon funds public schools by combining state, local and federal revenue via a funding formula to support 197 school districts and 19 education service districts (ESDs), largely from two main sources: income taxes out of the General Fund and lottery dollars. A distribution formula is then used that allocates funds to districts on a weighted, per student basis, based on certain criteria.

Senate Bill 535 increases weight allotted to certain children for School Fund distribution purposes, including those in poverty and foster homes.