

HB 2899 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

Action Date: 04/08/19

Action: Without recommendation as to passage, rescind subsequent referral to Student Success, and be referred to Rules.

Vote: 9-0-0-0

Yeas: 9 - Alonso Leon, Doherty, Helt, Hernandez, Neron, Reardon, Reschke, Sollman, Wallan

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/8

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires each district school board adopt written policies related to students being removed from classroom or school setting by school employees or law enforcement. Requires that such removals take place in manner that is in best interest of student, and may not include physical restraint unless conduct poses threat to health or safety of students or school employees, or severe damage to school property. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Interest in moving legislation without recommendation to continue discussion in the House Committee on Rules

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 339.250 requires that each district school board adopt written policies for the discipline, suspension, or expulsion of any refractory student. There are currently no requirements to adopt policies related to the removal of a student at the student's best interests, or restricting physical restraint unless conduct poses a direct threat.