B-Engrossed
House Bill 2902
Ordered by the House May 24
Including House Amendments dated April 16 and May 24
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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Requires school district to report on number of incidents during which students of classroom were removed from classroom because other student in classroom was acting in manner that would threaten to cause harm to student, to injure other person or to damage school property. **Sunsets requirement on December 31, 2025.**

Directs school districts to identify number and type of injuries sustained by employees from students.

Directs Department of Education to conduct study to investigate options for sharing best practices related to improving student behaviors.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to student behavior; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) Each school district shall make an annual report on the number of incidents that occurred during the previous school year during which the students of a classroom were removed from the classroom because another student in the classroom was acting in a manner that would threaten to:

(a) Cause harm to the student;

(b) Injure another person; or

(c) Damage school property.

(2) The report required under this section must be made to the Department of Education no later than September 1 of each year for the previous school year.

(3) The Department of Education shall make available the information received under subsection (2) of this section on the department's website no later than December 31 of each year.

(4) The State Board of Education shall adopt any rules necessary for the administration of this section.

SECTION 2. (1) Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on July 1, 2020.

(2) Notwithstanding the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, the first report required from a school district under section 1 of this 2019 Act must be made to the Department of Education no later than September 1, 2021, for the 2020-2021 school year.

SECTION 3. (1) Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on December 31, 2025.

(2) No report is required from a school district under section 1 of this 2019 Act for the
2025-2026 school year or any subsequent school year.

SECTION 4. (1) The Department of Education shall conduct a study to investigate options for sharing best practices related to quiet rooms, positive behavioral management, restorative justice, behavioral supports that are provided in the classroom and other methods of improving student behaviors.

(2) The department shall report the results of the study, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to education no later than September 15, 2020.

SECTION 5. Section 4 of this 2019 Act is repealed on December 31, 2020.

SECTION 6. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect July 1, 2019.