FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Directs Department of Education to develop statewide, long-term strategic plan to provide computer science education.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education (ODE), Education Service Districts (ESD), School Districts, Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC), Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
General Fund	\$271,454	
Total Funds	\$271,454	\$0
Positions	3	
FTE	0.95	

Analysis: The measure directs the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to develop a statewide, long term strategic plan for providing computer science education opportunities and to collect program participation data, and report annually to the Legislature. In addition, ODE is directed to consult with the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Investment Council and identify strategies for the computer science education plan to align computer literacy standards with computer science curricula at community colleges and public universities. ODE is also directed to identify strategies for including computer science and digital literacy coursed in the curricula for educator preparation programs. The bill directs ODE to convene a 27-member workgroup with three face-to-face meetings and two virtual meetings.

Three limited duration positions (0.95 FTE) -- an Education Specialist, Research Analyst, and Administrative Specialist -- would be needed to create, convene, and collaborate with the work group. Additionally, these positions would facilitate committee activities, developing a long-term strategic plan, design forms and survey instruments, collect and analyze data, review literature, and provide administrative support to the team. The fiscal also includes approximately \$27,600 General Fund for convening work group meetings.

This measure requires budgetary action for the allocation of General Fund resources and position establishment.