

SB 843 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 3/22, 3/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Repeals sunset on post-graduate scholar program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 1537 (2016) established the post-graduate scholars program under which a school district receives State School Fund dollars for certain students who have already graduated from high school. Students who earned below a 2.5 grade point average qualify, as they are not eligible for Oregon Promise, as do those who are ineligible for a federal Pell grant. The program allows students who graduated to remain enrolled in high school but attend community college for college credit. Senate Bill 843 removes the sunset on the program.