

HB 2630-3
(LC 2297)
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Requested by Representative NATHANSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2630**

1 After line 3 of the printed bill, insert:

2 “Whereas wildfires raged through several Oregon communities in 2020,
3 causing devastation to the communities and to families and public schools
4 in the communities; and

5 “Whereas many of these wildfire-impacted communities are overrepre-
6 sented by populations historically marginalized because of poverty, housing
7 insecurity, race or ethnicity; and

8 “Whereas students in wildfire-impacted school districts lost their perma-
9 nent housing and all of their belongings; and

10 “Whereas the families in these wildfire-impacted communities lost power,
11 Internet access, television service and telephone service; and

12 “Whereas many families of students who are residents of wildfire-
13 impacted school districts had to relocate to stable housing outside of the
14 school district in the aftermath of this tragedy; and

15 “Whereas the schools of these wildfire-impacted areas are the hearts of
16 the communities and are critical to their efforts to rebuild; and

17 “Whereas Oregon’s commitment to its most vulnerable students has been
18 matched with renewed commitment to educational funding through the Stu-
19 dent Success Act; and

20 “Whereas school districts severely impacted by the devastation of the 2020
21 wildfires in the midst of the global COVID-19 pandemic have a uniquely ur-

1 gent need to have stable funding over five years to enable them to fully re-
2 cover; now, therefore,”.

3 Delete lines 5 through 29 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 4 of this 2021 Act are added to and**
5 **made a part of ORS chapter 327.**

6 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:**

7 **“(a) ‘ADMw’ means the weighted average daily membership of a**
8 **school district, as calculated under ORS 327.013, minus any ADMw at-**
9 **tributable to a virtual public charter school, as defined in ORS 338.005.**

10 **“(b) ‘District ADM’ means the average daily membership for a**
11 **school district, minus any ADM attributable to a virtual public charter**
12 **school, as defined in ORS 338.005.**

13 **“(2) In addition to distributing moneys through the State School**
14 **Fund and the Student Investment Account, the Department of Edu-**
15 **cation shall award grants to wildfire-impacted school districts as pro-**
16 **vided by this section.**

17 **“(3) A school district may apply for a grant under this section if:**

18 **“(a) The district ADM, as compared to the district ADM for the**
19 **2019-2020 school year, decreased for any school year occurring after the**
20 **2019-2020 school year; and**

21 **“(b) The school district can demonstrate that one or more of the**
22 **following occurred:**

23 **“(A) One or more school buildings of the school district were dam-**
24 **aged as the result of wildfires and that damage resulted in students**
25 **being displaced from the building or the building being closed to stu-**
26 **dents;**

27 **“(B) The cause of the decrease in district ADM was the result of**
28 **damage to students’ permanent homes and the relocation of students**
29 **to housing outside of the school district; or**

30 **“(C) Any other circumstances identified by the State Board of Ed-**

1 ucation by rule as being directly related to the wildfires and causing
2 a decrease in the district ADM.

3 “(4) The amount of a grant awarded under this section shall equal
4 the sum of:

5 “(a) The difference between the following, in relation to distrib-
6 utions from the State School Fund under ORS 327.013:

7 “(A) The amount distributed to the school district from the State
8 School Fund under ORS 327.013, as calculated based on a district ex-
9 tended ADMw that equals the district ADMw for the 2019-2020 school
10 year; and

11 “(B) The amount distributed to the school district from the State
12 School Fund under ORS 327.013, as calculated based on a district ex-
13 tended ADMw that equals the district ADMw for the current school
14 year; and

15 “(b) The difference between the following, in relation to distrib-
16 utions from the Student Investment Account under ORS 327.195:

17 “(A) The amount distributed to the school district from the Student
18 Investment Account under ORS 327.195, as calculated based on the
19 district ADMw for the 2019-2020 school year; and

20 “(B) The amount distributed to the school district from the Student
21 Investment Account under ORS 327.195, as calculated based on the
22 district ADMw for the current school year.

23 “(5) Notwithstanding ORS 327.013 and 327.195, if a school district
24 receives a grant under this section, the district extended ADMw for
25 purposes of calculating State School Fund distributions under ORS
26 327.013 and the district ADMw for purposes of calculating Student In-
27 vestment Account distributions under ORS 327.195 shall equal the
28 ADMw of the current school year.

29 “(6) A school district may qualify for a grant under this section only
30 for school years in which the district ADM for the current school year

1 is less than the district ADM for the 2019-2020 school year.

2 “(7) The department shall award grants under this section from
3 moneys available in the School Stabilization Subaccount for Wildfire-
4 impacted School Districts established under section 4 of this 2021 Act.

5 “(8) The State Board of Education shall adopt any rules necessary
6 for the administration of this section.

7 “SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2021 Act applies to State School Fund
8 and Student Investment Account distributions made for the 2021-2022,
9 2022-2023, 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years.

10 “SECTION 4. (1) The School Stabilization Subaccount for Wildfire-
11 impacted School Districts is established within the Statewide Educa-
12 tion Initiatives Account.

13 “(2) Interest earned on the School Stabilization Subaccount for
14 Wildfire-impacted School Districts shall be credited to the subaccount.

15 “(3) The School Stabilization Subaccount for Wildfire-impacted
16 School Districts shall consist of moneys transferred to the subaccount
17 from the Statewide Education Initiatives Account.

18 “(4) Moneys in the School Stabilization Subaccount for Wildfire-
19 impacted School Districts are continuously appropriated to the De-
20 partment of Education for the purpose described in section 2 of this
21 2021 Act.

22 “SECTION 5. In addition to the uses of the Statewide Education
23 Initiatives Account that are authorized under ORS 327.254, the De-
24 partment of Education shall transfer \$10 million from the Statewide
25 Education Initiatives Subaccount to the School Stabilization Account
26 for Wildfire-impacted School Districts established by section 4 of this
27 2021 Act for the purpose of awarding grants as provided by section 2
28 of this 2021 Act.

29 “SECTION 6. Sections 2 and 4 of this 2021 Act are repealed on July
30 1, 2025.

1 **“SECTION 7. (1) On July 1, 2025, the School Stabilization Subac-**
2 **count for Wildfire-impacted School Districts established by section 4**
3 **of this 2021 Act is abolished.**

4 **“(2) Any moneys remaining in the School Stabilization Subaccount**
5 **for Wildfire-impacted School Districts on July 1, 2025, shall be trans-**
6 **ferred to the Statewide Education Initiatives Account.**

7 **“SECTION 8. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate**
8 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**
9 **declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.”.**

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