JOINT TASK FORCE ON SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

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RECOMMENDATION PROPOSAL

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Name(s) of submitter(s):
Senator Dembrow
What problem are you trying to solve?
Lack of clear direction to school districts regarding contracting expectations.
Title of proposal (25 words or less):
Clarifying Expectations of School Districts When Contracting with a Third Party for Substitute Teachers
Value/Finding/Goal Number:
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<u>Detailed</u> description of proposal (50 words or more):





In an effort to increase transparency and clarity, and avoid unnecessary disputes, this proposal seeks to clarify the process used by districts to produce and report complete data regarding cost-savings when third-party contracts are entered into and renewed. Legislation will be drafted to clarify expectations regarding the analyses and public notification. The proposed contracts and cost-savings will be presented to the district board in a public meeting, with notice and opportunity for the public to participate. Upon renewal, the district will be expected to show actual savings based on the contract and usage. Contracts and cost-savings analyses will be transmitted to the Oregon Department of Education.

Enforcement:

How will the legislature make sure the policy is followed?

Contracts and cost-savings analyses will be publicly posted on the District website. Districts will send their contracts and their cost-savings analyses to ODE when first produced and upon renewal. ODE will provide an annual report to LPRO and the Education Committees detailing utilization and compliance.

Reporting mechanisms:

What information will be collected so the legislature knows if the policy is working?

See above.

State agency responsible for implementation:

Oregon Department of Education

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