SB 1075 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to establish school media program standards, including applicable academic content standards, and to provide technical assistance to school districts and public schools. Specifies required elements of school media program standards and of technical assistance. Requires ODE to seek input from stakeholders, to research and gather relevant information, and to lead teams or workgroups to research, develop, and implement statewide strategies.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Equitable access to quality library programs
- Implementation of recommendations in 2021 Media Program Standards Study Report

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 5513 (2021), the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) budget bill, included a budget note that directed ODE to convene an advisory group to study media program standards. The resulting Budget Note for Media Program Standards Study Report, published December 2021, included survey results and recommendations. Recommendation 2 proposed strengthening media program standards, updating terminology, providing professional learning and technical assistance, and developing academic content standards.

Senate Bill 1075 requires the Oregon Department of Education to establish school media program standards and to provide technical assistance to school districts and public schools to implement them.