

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2618

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

February 27

1 Delete lines 4 through 10 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall conduct a study to identify the best**  
3 **methodology for determining the appropriate number of students on a workload for a**  
4 **school-based health practitioner who is a speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist**  
5 **or physical therapist. The methodology must take into consideration:**

6 **“(a) The number of students eligible for services provided by the school-based health**  
7 **practitioner;**

8 **“(b) The level of need of the students eligible for services provided by the school-based**  
9 **health practitioner;**

10 **“(c) The recommended frequency of visits for students eligible for services provided by**  
11 **the school-based health practitioner;**

12 **“(d) The number of schools served by the school-based health practitioner;**

13 **“(e) The amount of time spent by the school-based health practitioner preparing doc-**  
14 **umentation for an individualized education program or participating in meetings for an in-**  
15 **dividualized education program; and**

16 **“(f) Any other workload metrics for a speech-language pathologist, occupational therapist**  
17 **or physical therapist that are identified by the department.**

18 **“(2) For the purpose of conducting the study under this section, the department shall:**

19 **“(a) Examine workload metrics for speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists**  
20 **and physical therapists used in other states; and**

21 **“(b) Develop, or recommend the adoption of, a workload metric for speech-language**  
22 **pathologists, occupational therapists and physical therapists for use in this state.**

23 **“(3) The department shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and**  
24 **may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative**  
25 **Assembly related to education no later than September 15, 2023.”.**

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