House Bill 2618

Sponsored by Representative MCLAIN, Senator PATTERSON; Representatives EVANS, HARTMAN, HUDSON, Senators CAMPOS, KNOPP, SOLLMAN, WOODS (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Requires Department of Education to conduct study to identify best methodology for determining appropriate number of students on caseload for certain school-based health practitioners.

Directs department to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to education not later than September 15, 2023.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to school-based health practitioners; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall conduct a study to identify the best methodology for determining the appropriate number of students on a caseload for school-based health practitioners that are speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists and physical therapists.

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

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2024.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect July 1, 2023.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.