A-Engrossed House Bill 2753

Ordered by the House March 24 Including House Amendments dated March 24

Sponsored by Representative BOWMAN; Representatives NGUYEN H, PHAM K

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.

Allows district school board to choose to provide directors with monthly stipend **and individual directors to decline to receive stipend**. Requires board to provide reimbursements for actual and necessary expenses if board does not provide stipend. **Allows board to choose to provide reimbursements for actual and necessary expenses if board does provide stipend**. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT 1 2 Relating to the compensation of directors of district school boards; creating new provisions; 3 amending ORS 332.018; and declaring an emergency. 4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon: SECTION 1. ORS 332.018 is amended to read: 5 6 332.018. Except as provided in ORS 255.400 to 255.424: 7 (1) The term of office of director is four years. 8 (2) [No] A person [shall be] is not eligible to serve as director unless the person is an elector 9 of the district and has resided [therein] in the district for the period of one year immediately pre-10 ceding the election or appointment.

11 [(3) No director shall receive any compensation for services as director other than reimbursement 12 for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred on school business.]

(3)(a) A district school board may choose to provide each director who is a voting member of the board with a stipend in an amount determined by the board, not to exceed \$500
per month, as adjusted based on changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the
United States Department of Labor.

18 (b) If the district school board provides a stipend, the board:

19 (A) Must allow individual directors to choose to not receive the stipend; and

(B) May provide, in addition to the stipend, reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred or paid by the director in the performance of the duties of the director.

(c) If the district school board does not provide a stipend, the board must provide re imbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred or paid by the director in the per formance of the duties of the director.

25 (d) A stipend provided to a director constitutes part of the director's official compen-26 sation package for purposes of ORS 244.040, but a director who receives a stipend is not 1 considered an employee of the school district.

2 SECTION 2. Notwithstanding ORS 332.018 (3)(a), as amended by section 1 of this 2023 Act,

3 the first adjustment of the stipend amount may not occur until July 1, 2024.

4 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 5 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect 6 July 1, 2023.

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