

House Bill 2731

Sponsored by Representative BOICE (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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Allows ODE to pay for grants for farm education from the Fund for Student Success moneys. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).

Authorizes the Department of Education to use moneys in the Statewide Education Initiatives Account to fund grants to manage programs of study in agricultural science and technology between school years.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to funding for agricultural education; amending ORS 327.254.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 327.254, as amended by section 25, chapter 95, Oregon Laws 2024, is amended
5 to read:

6 327.254. (1) The Department of Education shall use moneys in the Statewide Education Initi-
7 atives Account to provide funding for statewide education initiatives, including:

8 (a) Funding the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Act at the levels
9 prescribed by ORS 327.856;

10 (b) Expanding school breakfast and lunch programs;

11 (c) Operating youth reengagement programs or providing youth reengagement services;

12 (d) Establishing and maintaining the Statewide School Safety and Prevention System under ORS
13 339.341;

14 (e) Developing and providing statewide equity initiatives, including any statewide education plan
15 developed and implemented by the department;

16 (f) Providing summer learning programs at schools that are considered high poverty under Title
17 I of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965;

18 (g) Funding early warning systems to assist students in graduating from high school, as de-
19 scribed in ORS 327.367;

20 **(h) Funding for grants to manage programs of study in agricultural science and tech-**
21 **nology during the summer months between school years, as described in ORS 327.915;**

22 *[(h)]* (i) Developing and implementing professional development programs and training programs,
23 including programs that increase educator diversity and retain diverse educators;

24 *[(i)]* (j) Planning for increased transparency and accountability in the public education system
25 of this state;

26 *[(j)]* (k) Providing additional funding to school districts participating in the intensive program
27 under ORS 327.222;

28 *[(k)]* (L) Providing technical assistance, including costs incurred for:

29 (A) The coaching program described in ORS 327.214; and

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.

- 1 (B) The intensive program described in ORS 327.222, including costs for student success teams;
2 [(L)] (m) Funding public charter schools, as described in ORS 327.362;
3 [(m)] (n) Funding the Early Literacy Success School Grant program, as provided by ORS 327.833;
4 [(n)] (o) Funding the Early Literacy Success Community Grant program, as established by ORS
5 327.843;
6 [(o)] (p) Funding any additional amounts for approved recovery schools, as provided by rules of
7 the State Board of Education adopted under ORS 327.029;
8 [(p)] (q) Funding education service districts, as described in subsection (2) of this section;
9 [(q)] (r) Funding the Youth Corrections Education Program and the Juvenile Detention Educa-
10 tion Program through the Juvenile Justice Education Fund established under section 22, chapter 95,
11 Oregon Laws 2024, when necessary as provided by section 23, chapter 95, Oregon Laws 2024; and
12 [(r)] (s) Funding costs incurred by the department in implementing this section and ORS 327.175
13 to 327.235 and 327.274.
- 14 (2)(a) The amount of a distribution to an education service district under this section shall be
15 made as provided by paragraph (b) of this subsection after calculating the following for each edu-
16 cation service district:
- 17 (A) One percent of the total amount available for distribution to education service districts in
18 each biennium.
- 19 (B) The education service district's $\text{ADMw} \times$ (the total amount available for distribution to
20 education service districts in each biennium \div the total ADMw of all education service districts
21 that receive a distribution).
- 22 (b) The amount of the distribution to an education service district shall be the greater of the
23 amounts calculated under paragraph (a) of this subsection, except that, for distributions made as
24 provided by paragraph (a)(B) of this subsection, the total amount available for distribution to edu-
25 cation service districts shall be the amount remaining after any distributions required under para-
26 graph (a)(A) of this subsection have been made.
- 27 (c) For purposes of this subsection, ADMw equals the ADMw as calculated under ORS 327.013,
28 except that the additional amount allowed for students who are in poverty families, as determined
29 under ORS 327.013 (1)(c)(A)(v)(I), shall be 0.5.
- 30 (d) An education service district shall use moneys received under this section as provided by a
31 plan developed by the school districts located within the education service district. A school district
32 that declines to participate in the development of the plan or that has withdrawn from an education
33 service district as provided by ORS 334.015 is not entitled to any moneys distributed to the educa-
34 tion service district under this subsection.
- 35 (e) A plan developed under this subsection must:
- 36 (A) Align with and support the meeting of performance growth targets established for recipients
37 of moneys under ORS 327.195 that are located within the education service district;
- 38 (B) Include the provision, to recipients of moneys under ORS 327.195 that are located within the
39 education service district, of technical assistance in developing, implementing and reviewing a plan
40 for receiving a grant from the Student Investment Account;
- 41 (C) Provide for coordination with the department in administering and providing technical as-
42 sistance to recipients of moneys under ORS 327.195 that are located within the education service
43 district, including coordinating any coaching programs established under ORS 327.214; and
- 44 (D) Be adopted and amended as provided for local service plans under ORS 334.175 and approved
45 by the department.

1 (f) For the purposes of paragraph (e) of this subsection, recipients of moneys under ORS 327.195
2 that are located within the education service district include, as applicable:

3 (A) Common school districts and union high school districts;

4 (B) Any charter school that is an eligible applicant, as defined in ORS 327.185; and

5 (C) The Youth Corrections Education Program or the Juvenile Detention Education Program.

6 (g) Each education service district must submit an annual report to the department that:

7 (A) Describes how the education service district spent moneys received under this subsection;
8 and

9 (B) Includes an evaluation of the education service district's compliance with the plan from the
10 superintendent of each school district that participated in the development of the plan.

11 (3) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules necessary for the distribution of moneys un-
12 der this section.

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