**2007 Regular Legislative Session**
**FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**
**Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office**

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**MEASURE NUMBER:** HB 2606 **STATUS:** A-Engrossed
**SUBJECT:** Award of high school diploma or advancement to next grade level on satisfaction of requirements of the State Board of Education and the student's school district
**GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED:** Oregon Department of Education
**PREPARED BY:** Adrienne Sexton
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**DATE:** May 8, 2007

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| **EXPENDITURES:** | | |
| **See Comments.** | | |
| **POSITIONS / FTE:** | | |
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**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2007

**GOVERNOR'S BUDGET:** This bill is not anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE:** This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**COMMENTS:** The measure would allow a student to satisfy high school diploma requirements of the State Board of Education and the student's district in less than four years and receive a high school diploma at the student's request and with the consent of the student's parent or guardian. Also with the consent of the student's parent or guardian a student may advance to the next grade level on completion of the requirements for the student's current grade level.

The impact to Oregon Department of Education (ODE) would be the workload equivalent of an Education Specialist 2 for six months in the 2007-09 biennium to develop and write new administrative rules that would apply to the 2007-08 school year. The cost of staff time would be approximately $39,611 and services and supplies are estimated to be approximately $9,375. The estimate of services and supplies includes non-capitalized costs, which the Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) believes may be high considering the short-term nature of the work.

For purposes of this fiscal impact statement, LFO assumes that this single measure would not necessarily require ODE to hire additional staff. However, if re-prioritization of duties and responsibilities of existing staff were not feasible during the 6-month timeline for adopting administrative rules, additional resources may be required. LFO notes that other bills are pending before this Legislative Assembly that also would require an expenditure of ODE staff time. If this measure creates a workload beyond the levels assumed in the ODE budget, or if the cumulative effect of workload from the enactment of other bills exceeds levels assumed in the ODE budget, additional resources may be required.