

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass As Amended and Be Referred to the Committee on Revenue
Vote:	9 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Fagan, Gomberg, Gorsek, Huffman, Parrish, Reardon, Sprenger, Whisnant, Gelser
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/15, 4/1, 4/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Adjusts distance adjustment calculations for remote, small elementary schools for greater level of funding for schools located between 8 and 12 miles from the nearest elementary school. Provides distance adjustment for remote, small elementary schools is 0.0125 for each tenth of a mile more than eight miles that a school is away from the nearest elementary school in the same school district measured by the nearest traveled road or 0.5, whichever is less. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2013.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Correcting inequity
- Impact on rural economy

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Provides distance adjustment for remote, small elementary schools is 0.0125 for each tenth of a mile more than eight miles that a school is away from the nearest elementary school in the same school district measured by the nearest traveled road or 0.5, whichever is less.

BACKGROUND: ORS 327.077 sets the calculations for adjusted average daily membership, or “ADMa” for small, remote schools. The ADMa for an elementary school is the average daily membership of a school, but no less than 25. The law provides that if an elementary school in a district qualifies as a remote elementary school, the district shall have an additional amount added to the district’s ADMa. The current formula provides for a distance adjustment for an elementary school which is 0.025 for each tenth of a mile more than eight miles that a school is away from the nearest elementary school in the same school district measured by the nearest traveled road or 1.0, whichever is less. This measure changes the number from 0.025 to 0.0125.