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Measure Description:

Allows school district board to place limitations on proposals for public charter schools that board will evaluate if specified percentage of students of school district are enrolled in public charter schools.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education, Local Education Agencies, School Districts

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

See Analysis.

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.

Analysis: This bill allows school district boards to place limitations on public charter school proposals under certain circumstances. In additions, a public charter school sponsored by the State Board of education may request a change of sponsorship to a school district board in which the public charter school is located.

Under current law, public charter school sponsors may withhold a percentage of the ADMw to cover administrative costs. In the case of elementary schools the percentage is 20% and in the case of high schools the percentage is 5%. If the State Board of Education is the sponsor, they can keep 10% of the ADMw in the case of both elementary and high schools. The State Board of Education currently sponsors four charter schools. If these four schools were to request local sponsorship, it could result in approximately \$219,000 decrease in revenue (most likely starting in 2015-17) to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE). This would result in a reduction of two positions (2.00 FTE) that support the charter school program. This would leave school districts without charter school support from ODE. It is not clear at this point; when or if, any of the state sponsored public charter schools would request a change to their sponsorship.