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#### **Measure Description:**

Adjusts distance adjustment calculations for remote small elementary schools to provide greater level of funding for schools located between 8 and 12 miles from nearest elementary school.

## Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education, Education Service Districts (ESD), School Districts

### Summary of Expenditure Impact:

### Local Government Mandate:

This bill [may] [does not] affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

**Analysis:** This bill would adjust the remote small elementary school distant adjustment formula from 0.025 per tenth of a mile over 8 miles to a maximum of 0.5 for the distance adjustment. This will affect the per student funding provided to certain districts.

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) anticipates changes will need to be made to the current technology systems to reflect the provisions of the bill. ODE estimates these costs at \$43,000 General Fund.

Accurate and substantive information is not available from the state school districts. It is anticipated that the changes could affect school districts in various ways and a complete fiscal understanding of these impacts is not available at this time. For example, a school district may have economic incentive to keep a remote school operating instead of looking at other alternatives. Therefore, the full extent of the fiscal impact is indeterminate.