SB 205 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Allows a teacher licensure applicant to teach for 90 calendar days after submitting an application as long as the person is not ineligible based on a criminal records check and has complied with all other requirements established by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission's administrative rules. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE:May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issuedFISCAL:May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

Oregon currently has over 65,000 licensed educators. During the 2015-16 budget year, the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) issued 19,507 licenses out of a total of 23,761 applications received. According to TSPC, the current wait time for applicants is less than 90 days.

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