

House Bill 2223

Sponsored by Representative WHISNANT, Senator MONNES ANDERSON, Representative KENY-GUYER; Representatives DOHERTY, HACK, MCLAIN, SMITH WARNER, Senator TAYLOR (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Education to establish program to develop and maintain statewide school nursing services. Allows State Board of Education to adopt rules for program. Directs Oregon Health Authority to ensure care provided to students by school nurses is reimbursed by state plan for medical assistance.

Appropriates moneys to Department of Education for purposes of program.

Becomes operative on January 1, 2018.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to school nurses; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section and section 4 of this 2017 Act, "school nurse" has**
5 **the meaning given that term in ORS 342.455.**

6 **(2) The Department of Education, in collaboration with the State School Nursing Con-**
7 **sultant, shall establish a program to develop and maintain statewide school nursing services**
8 **to:**

9 **(a) Meet the student to school nurse ratios set forth in section 5, chapter 843, Oregon**
10 **Laws 2009;**

11 **(b) Assist school districts in funding school nurse positions; and**

12 **(c) Create a school nurse sustainability plan with each school district.**

13 **SECTION 2. The Department of Education, in collaboration with the State School Nurs-**
14 **ing Consultant described in ORS 413.084, shall develop statewide nursing standards of prac-**
15 **tice that include outcome measures for school health transformation and academic**
16 **performance, and shall create an integrated school health services delivery model to foster**
17 **and promote a noncompetitive and collaborative strategy.**

18 **SECTION 3. The State Board of Education may adopt rules to carry out the provisions**
19 **of sections 1 and 2 of this 2017 Act.**

20 **SECTION 4. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall amend the state plan for medical as-**
21 **sistance or take any other steps necessary to secure federal financial participation in the**
22 **cost of care provided by school nurses to students enrolled in the state medical assistance**
23 **program.**

24 **(2) The authority shall establish a process for a school district to submit a claim for re-**
25 **imbursement for care services provided by school nurses to students enrolled in the medical**
26 **assistance program.**

27 **SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
28 **ated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the**

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1 **General Fund, the amount of \$_____, which may be expended for the purposes of sections**
2 **1 and 2 of this 2017 Act.**

3 **SECTION 6. (1) Sections 1 to 4 of this 2017 Act become operative on January 1, 2018.**

4 **(2) The Department of Education, the State Board of Education and the Oregon Health**
5 **Authority may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this**
6 **section that is necessary to enable the department, the board and the authority to exercise,**
7 **on or after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties,**
8 **functions and powers conferred on the department, the board and the authority by sections**
9 **1 to 4 of this 2017 Act.**

10 **SECTION 7. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
11 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect**
12 **on its passage.**

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