

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 52 - 2

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Measure Description:

Requires school district to adopt policy on student suicide prevention.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education (ODE), Local Education Agencies, Education Service Districts (ESD), School Districts, Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis: The bill directs school districts to adopt comprehensive policies on student suicide prevention in consultation with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA). In addition, the bill declares a school that is not in compliance shall be considered nonstandard under ORS 327.103.

Revised with additional information from OHA.

OHA believes the bill will require OHA to consult with the State Board of Education, ODE, and Local School Districts in development of policies and this can be accomplished with current resources. The agency’s decision to absorb costs could put upward cost pressure on the agency’s budget, but also the State’s General Fund. Such decision could lead to agency requests from a future Legislature or Emergency Board for more General Fund resources through the rebalance process.

School districts and Education Service Districts anticipate that policy development can be absorbed with current resources, but policy implementation costs could be substantial. The exact costs of implementation are not known at this time.

The Oregon Department of Education does not anticipate a fiscal impact due to the provisions of this bill.