

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 584

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Measure Description:

Establishes Statewide School Safety and Prevention System.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

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

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
General Fund	\$1,935,000	\$3,870,000
Total Funds	\$1,935,000	\$3,870,000
Positions	1	1
FTE	0.92	1.00

Analysis: The bill requires the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to establish a Statewide School Safety and Prevention System. The program has four components:

- Assist schools in creating programs to decrease incidences of harassment, intimidation, or bullying.
- Assist schools in decreasing youth suicide utilizing school safety and prevention specialist interventions.
- Assist schools in identifying, assessing, and supporting students who present a risk of violence.
- Help promote SafeOregon, the existing school safety tip line.

While this bill appropriates \$3.870,000 General Fund for the purposes of the bill, the Oregon Department of Education indicates that the anticipated 2019-21 costs would be \$1,935,000. The lower number reflects the grants made to Education Service Districts for the staffing and services described below would start in the second year of the 2019-21 biennium.

The bill also creates School Safety and Prevention Specialist positions to develop the program, provide coordination and training of local teams, and ongoing support and consultation to school partners. ODE will distribute grants to Education Service Districts to employ across the state eight School Safety and Prevention Specialists (8.00 FTE), five Youth Suicide Prevention and Wellness Promotion Specialists (5.00 FTE), and three Student Threat Assessment Training and Technical Assistance Specialists (1.10 FTE). Total grant-in-aid for 2019-21 is \$1.7 million General Fund and in 2021-23, \$3.6 million General Fund. In addition, ODE will require a Program Analyst 3 (.0.92 FTE) to manage the program including writing grant agreements and rulemaking and this position would start soon after the beginning of the 2019-21 biennium.

School Districts indicate the fiscal impact of the requirements of the bill are indeterminate. There is not enough information about implementation at the district level at this time to develop an estimate of the fiscal impact.