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Measure Description:

Requires Oregon Health Authority to provide planning grants to 10 school districts or education service districts to evaluate community needs for school-based health services.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), School Districts, Department of Education (ODE)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Health Care to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The measure with the -1 amendment appropriates \$950,000 General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to award planning grants to ten school districts or education service districts. The bill directs OHA, in consultation with the Oregon Department of Education (ODE), to select ten school districts or education service districts to receive planning grants for district planning and technical assistance in evaluating the need and developing a plan to address the need for school-based health services. The grant period is to begin on or after July 1, 2019 and to end before July 1, 2021. The bill requires grantees to contract with a nonprofit to facilitate the planning process. OHA is required to contract with a nonprofit to create tools and provide support to grantees during the community engagement planning process. At the end of the two-year planning process, OHA must select at least six school-based health center medical sponsors to each receive operating funds to open state-certified school-based health centers. The bill authorizes OHA to select up to four school districts or educational service districts to receive operating funds for a five-year period to operate pilot programs to provide school-based health services. The bill directs OHA to work with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and stakeholders to identify additional sources of funding for school-based health center expenditures.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Oregon Health Authority, the Department of Education, and school districts.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required