HB 2676 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Increases the threshold under which school districts may requires additional State School Fund moneys for students eligible for special education from 11 percent to 13 percent without review and approval by the Oregon Department of Education.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Interest in fully funding special education at federal level
- Impact on school districts when increasing level of state funding without federal funding increase

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Average Daily Membership (ADM) indicates the average number of students in membership on any given day during the reporting period. To compute weighted Average Daily Membership (ADMw), each student is given 1.0 plus any additional weights added by law on the basis for making State School Fund payments. Several examples include (1) English Language Learners receive an additional 0.5 for each student; (2) students in poverty families receive an additional 0.25.

House Bill 2676 would increase the threshold that school districts can require additional State School Fund moneys for students in special education to 13 percent.