

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 496 A

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Measure Description:

Requires school districts to ensure that all students of school district have equal access to educational facilities.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Education (ODE), School Districts

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis: The bill, as amended, requires school district to not restrict special education students, alternative education students, or English language learners access to specialized learning areas or to the common lunch area, common gathering areas or recreational areas in any different ways than imposed on traditional students. Provides exception for behavioral issues and for compliance with court order or law enforcement agency.

To the extent that equal access to educational facilities is an issue and any costs associated with facilities or additional staffing, is unknown at this time and therefore the fiscal impact to school districts is indeterminate. The Oregon Department of Education may have to amend rules for this bill, but these costs should be minimal.