

HB 2346 B BUDGET REPORT and MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Gelser

Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Action Date: 06/20/19

Action: Do pass the B-Eng bill.

Senate Vote

Yeas: 7 - Beyer, Frederick, Johnson, Manning Jr, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Wagner

Abs: 5 - Baertschiger Jr, Girod, Hansell, Heard, Thomsen

House Vote

Yeas: 9 - Gomberg, Holvey, McLain, McLane, Nosse, Piluso, Rayfield, Smith G, Stark

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Department of Education

2019-21

Budget Summary*

	2017-19 Legislatively Approved Budget ⁽¹⁾	2019-21 Current Service Level	2019-21 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2017-19 Leg. Approved	
				\$ Change	% Change
General Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,857	\$ 235,857	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,857	\$ 235,857	100.0%

Position Summary

Authorized Positions	0	0	0	0
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.25

⁽¹⁾ Includes adjustments through December 2018

* Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

Summary of Revenue Changes

HB 2346 appropriates \$235,857 General Fund to the Early Learning Division within the Oregon Department of Education to conduct studies and produce reports to support the Task Force on Access to Quality Affordable Child Care.

Summary of Education Subcommittee Action

The Subcommittee appropriated \$235,857 General Fund and authorizes adding 0.25 FTE to one existing part-time Program Analyst 4 position for the Early Learning Division within the Department of Education (ODE) to conduct studies and produce reports to support the Task Force on Access to Quality Affordable Child Care. The bill establishes the 17-member Task Force on Access to Quality Affordable Child Care charged with: (1) studying why eligible families are not using child care subsidies and making recommendations for how to increase eligible families’ use of child care subsidies; and (2) studying and making recommendations to expand access to high-quality, subsidized child care for families that currently are not eligible for subsidized child care and cannot otherwise afford or access child care. The task force must report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by December 31, 2020. The task force sunsets on January 2, 2021.

The bill directs the Early Learning Division within the Department of Education (ODE) to study and prepare a comprehensive report on existing child care subsidy programs in Oregon and submit the findings to the task force by December 31, 2019. In addition, the Early Learning Division must submit the following two studies to the task force by June 30, 2020:

- A report on the supply of and demand for child care by geography and household demographic information, including age, race, ethnicity, and language spoken in the home.

- A report on the barriers to accessing existing child care subsidies, including findings from interviews or surveys of families that have accessed child care subsidies in the past, families that access child care subsidies presently, and child care caseworkers or providers who have assisted families with accessing child care subsidies.

The Program Analyst 4 position will conduct initial research, compile background materials, and produce the required reports to be submitted to the task force. The bill authorizes the Early Learning Division to contract with a third-party research organization to assist or complete any of the research requirements of the bill; ODE anticipates the need for \$200,000 to partner with the Oregon Child Care Research Partnership (OCCRP) at Oregon State University to conduct the research required by the bill.

DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
<u>SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION</u>									
SCR 100 - Operations									
Personal Services	\$ 26,926	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,926	0	0.25
Services and Supplies	\$ 208,931	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 208,931		
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ 235,857	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,857	0	0.25
SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION	\$ 235,857	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 235,857	0	0.25