

HB 2868 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes requirement that teachers of accelerated college credit courses have completed equivalent of 27 quarter hours of relevant graduate level course work. Exempts teachers of career and technical education courses and teachers of courses in nationally or internationally standardized programs. Applies requirements to 2022-2023 school year. Takes effect July 1, 2022.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Accelerated college credit programs are programs taught in high schools that allow students to earn college credit while enrolled in high school courses. These programs include dual credit, two-plus-two, Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB). Every Oregon school district is required to offer accelerated college credit programs to students in grades 9 through 12.

All licensed K-12 educators in Oregon must have graduated from an accredited educator preparation program that is approved by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC), which may be a bachelor's or master's program. Teachers of accelerated college credit programs are not subject to additional standards. House Bill 2868 would create a requirement that teachers of accelerated college credit programs complete the equivalent of 27 quarter hours, or a year's worth, of graduate education.

House Bill 2868 establishes requirement that teachers of accelerated college credit courses have completed equivalent of 27 quarter hours of relevant graduate level course work, specifies teacher categories that are included and exempt from this requirement, and first applies these changes to the 2022-2023 school year. Takes effect July 1, 2022.