

**SB 782 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Education**

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Requires Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to establish and administer pilot program for mental health screenings to students in grades 9 through 12. Establishes program and reporting requirements. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Student Success Act, passed in 2019, required school districts to address students' mental and behavioral health needs as part of their spending plan for those funds. Senate Bill 782 requires the Oregon Department of Education to establish a pilot program for universal mental health screenings in grades 9 through 12.