

SB 334 -2 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires State Board of Education to adopt training standards for leaders of school districts, education service districts, and public charter schools. Establishes training content, attendee, provider, delivery, and reporting requirements. Requires Oregon Department of Education to establish registration and certification for training providers. Establishes consequences for noncompliance, including nonstandard designation for school district or education service district, or termination of a charter. Requires school leaders to receive first training by January 30, 2023. Declares emergency, takes effect July 1, 2021.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for training of superintendents and school board members
- Lack of current training opportunities
- Licensure requirements

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-2 Replaces the measure. Requires education provider governing bodies to conduct self-assessment every two years to develop professional learning plan for district leaders. Establishes self-assessment and plan requirements. Requires first self-assessment be completed by September 1, 2022. Requires Oregon Department of Education to establish advisory group on professional learning and training. Establishes advisory group membership and duties. Requires directors and superintendents of school districts and education service districts to comply with training requirements. Requires charter school governing body members to comply with training requirements. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

REVENUE: No impact.

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

BACKGROUND:

There are currently few uniform training standards that apply uniformly to school district, education service district, and charter school leaders in Oregon. Board members and superintendents organized by the Oregon School Boards Association and the Coalition of Oregon School Administrators worked together beginning in the fall of 2020 to create uniform training requirements. Senate Bill 334 requires the State Board of Education to establish uniform training standards, establishes related training requirements, and consequences for noncompliance.