

HB 3350 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes requirements for providing education to students with disabilities during COVID-19 emergency. Requires Oregon Department of Education to convene advisory group. Establishes membership requirements for advisory group. Establishes reporting requirements. Requires ODE to establish temporary processes, rules, and requirements for provision of compensatory or recovery educational services. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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:

On March 12, 2020 Governor Brown directed public schools to remain closed throughout Oregon beginning on March 16, 2020. Schools offered distance learning to students throughout the spring of 2020 and for much of the 2020-2021 school year. Due to the state of emergency, the Governor waived or modified many requirements for school districts. Ready Schools, Safe Learners guidance published by the Oregon Department of Education detailed the modifications that schools were required to make to their instructional programs and health and safety protocols for the 2020-2021 school year. On March 12, 2021 Governor Brown issued an executive order requiring schools to return to in-person or hybrid instruction by April 19, 2021. House Bill 3350 establishes requirements for school districts to provide education to students with disabilities during the COVID-19 emergency, requires the Oregon Department of Education to establish an advisory group, and institutes reporting requirements.