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To: Human Services Subcommittee

From: Tom MacDonald, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: June 10, 2021

Subject: HB 2591 – Relating to school-based health center grants
Work Session Recommendations

HB 2591 directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to create three grant programs related to health care in schools. The measure includes a \$2,555,000 General Fund appropriation in 2021-23 for the agency to carry out this work and identifies specific amounts from the appropriation available to support each grant program and OHA's administrative costs.

The bill requires OHA to select 10 school districts or education service districts to receive planning grants. Each district that receives a grant is directed to evaluate the need for school-based health services in their communities, and to develop a plan to address this need. OHA is directed to contract with a nonprofit organization to facilitate and oversee the planning process, and to provide technical assistance to grantees. After the two-year planning process, each grantee is to receive funding to operate a school-based health center or school nurse model in each school district or education service district.

Of the total appropriation, the measure specifies the following uses of funds:

- \$995,000 for grants to school districts or education service districts and for technical assistance.
- \$285,000 for grants to school districts and education service districts.
- \$975,000 for grants and technical assistance to school-based health centers.
- \$300,000 for OHA's expenses of implementing the grant programs.

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2591 be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____