SB 227 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

Action Date:	02/24/21
Action:	Do pass and refer to Ways and Means by prior reference.
Vote:	3-2-0-0
Yeas:	3 - Dembrow, Gelser, Gorsek
Nays:	2 - Robinson, Thomsen
Fiscal:	Fiscal impact issued
Revenue:	No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates:	2/10, 2/24

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$2.5 million to the Department of Education for use by the Educator Advancement Council to provide professional learning opportunities related to the adoption of new ethnic studies standards. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Professional learning opportunities for teachers
- Adoption of new ethnic studies standards

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon's State Board of Education is scheduled to adopt ethnic studies content standards by September 2021. Senate Bill 227 provides funding for teacher training related to the new standards.