



OREGON TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION

SB 129: Agency Fiscal Stability

What the measure does Gives the TSPC new authority to charge fees to Educator Preparation Providers, levy fines as part of disciplinary action, and assess school and educational service districts.

Background Ongoing funding of the TSPC is completely through Licensure Fees. The philosophy of the Legislature has been to consider this an Other Funded agency, yet over the years, more and more of its work has had nothing to do with issuing licenses. Investigating and sanctioning complaints, reviewing and approving educator programs, and developing education standards are vital aspects of the agency, yet the ones receiving the services are not charged.

The concept of Other Funds is that services are paid for by the people that use them, but the TSPC currently has no authority to levy fines, make discipline fee assessments on school and educational services districts, or to charge educator preparation providers for the many services it provides for their programs.

Summary In conjunction with the 2021-23 ARB Policy Option Package 101, the agency proposes to restructure its fees to truly reflect its Other Fund status by adding the ability to levy fines and assessments, and charging Educator Preparation Providers for services provided.

Fiscal Impact The goal of this measure is to cover the expenditures of each program. This LC would give the agency additional revenue authority. The actual impact on different constituent groups would be determined by the Policy Option Package.

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