SB 773 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Superintendent of Public Instruction to require school district to reimburse a parent or a foster parent for expenses incurred, including any lost wages, while a student was placed on an abbreviated school day program, when in violation of existing laws.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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

REVENUE: May have revenue impact but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Oregon Law (ORS 343.161) defines abbreviated school day program as any school day during which a student receives instruction or educational services for fewer hours than other students who are in the same grade within the same school for more than 10 school days per school year. For students experiencing disability, their individualized educational program (IEP) team is responsible for developing a shared vision of success and individualized educational program that will enable the student to achieve that vision. A student's IEP team may determine that a student needs a longer or shorter school day in order to receive a free appropriate public education due to the unique needs that arise from the nature of their disability.

SB 773 would allow the Superintendent of Public Instruction to direct a local school district to reimburse a parent for reasonable expenses, including lost wages, when inappropriately placing a student on an abbreviated school day program.