

HB 3199 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Reduces physical education requirement for students in grades six through eight from 225 minutes each week to an average of 150 minutes each school week. Modifies data collection requirement to allow for minutes to be calculated on a weekly basis or an average weekly basis. Applies changes to the 2023-2024 school year. Declares emergency, takes effect July 1, 2023.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

HOUSE VOTE: Passed. Ayes, 50; Nays, 8; Excused, 2

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Importance of physical education
- Challenges in implementation of requirement
- Block scheduling

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 3141 (2007) required elementary schools to provide 150 minutes and middle schools to provide 225 minutes of physical education each week. The bill required instruction to be part of a sequential, developmentally appropriate curriculum that would help students develop the knowledge, motor skills, self-management skills, attitudes, and confidence needed to adopt and maintain physical activity throughout their lives. The bill required at least 50 percent of the physical education class time to be actual physical activity with as much time as possible spent in moderate physical activity. It required adaptive physical education for students with disabilities or chronic health problems.

Senate Bill 4 (2017) modified the requirements for sixth graders, required the State Board of Education to adopt rules relating to the proration of time requirements, exempted districts from time requirements in certain situations, allowed teachers with elementary multiple subject endorsements to instruct students in physical education activities, and required the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to review and approve activities developed by nonprofit organizations, collect data on the number of minutes offered to students, provide technical assistance, and develop recommendations. The measure also allowed districts and charter schools to provide activities developed by nonprofit organizations even if those activities are not on the approved list and instituted a hold-harmless period until the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

House Bill 3199 A reduces the physical education requirement for students in grades six through eight and modifies data collection requirements to allow for minutes to be calculated on a weekly basis or an average weekly basis.