

SB 1045 -6 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Rules

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to review statutes, rules, and internal policies to identify response to Secretary of State's *K-12 Education--Systemic Risk Report*. Establishes consideration requirements for ODE. Requires ODE to identify how best to communicate with Legislative Assembly. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-6 Replaces the measure. Modifies provisions establishing requirements for standard school districts. Adds requirement that compliance plan submitted by school district be approved by Superintendent of Public Instruction. Allows 12-month extension only if the Superintendent of Public Instruction has approved the compliance plan. Requires Department of Education (ODE) to publicize on its website each school's designation as conditionally standard, nonstandard, or standard for the previous school year, the reasons for that designation, and related information. Defines conditionally standard and nonstandard. Requires biennial report to Legislative Assembly a report summarizing school districts' designations, the reasons for designation as conditionally standard or nonstandard, and related information. Modifies provisions relating to discrimination in education. Includes Oregon Health and Science University in anti-discrimination statute as entity separate from public universities. Requires ODE to investigate allegations of noncompliance with anti-discrimination statute when it receives a complaint, when a complaint is not resolved, a complaint is submitted to ODE or ODE determines on its own that there is evidence of noncompliance. Establishes the following allowable actions for ODE to take: assist school and complainant in reaching reconciliation, order the school to undertake corrective action, order the school to provide student-specific remedies, and impose sanctions such as directing the expenditure of state funding or withholding state funding. Requires State Board of Education (SBE) to convene advisory committee for purpose of adopting related rules. Modifies provisions relating to textbooks and instructional materials. Requires SBE to adopt requirements for a process by which a local district can select textbooks not on the list adopted by SBE. Requirements must include public presentation, ability of ODE to review and comment on selection, and public presentation of ODE comments. Requires SBE's list of adopted materials to include materials offered in more than one language. Repeals publisher fees. Requires ODE to review statutes, rules, and policies to identify how best to incorporate suggestions from Secretary of State's Systemic Risk Report. Requires ODE to convene advisory committee related to review. Establishes requirements for review. Requires report to Legislative Assembly by December 31, 2023. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

BACKGROUND:

In May, 2022, the Oregon Secretary of State's audits division issued a [K-12 Education – Systemic Risk Report](#) outlining potential areas of risk in the structure and organization of Oregon's K-12 education system. The report outlined five major risks:

1. performance monitoring and support;
2. transparency on results and challenges;
3. spending scrutiny and guidance;
4. clear, enforceable district standards; and

5. governance and funding stability.

Senate Bill 1045 requires the Oregon Department of Education to identify a response to the Secretary of State's 2022 systemic risk report.

PRELIMINARY