

House Bill 3262

Sponsored by Representatives HELFRICH, STOUT; Representative WRIGHT

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Education to conduct study of need for educators to be better trained in relation to mental health of students and of programs and resources available to students in relation to mental health.

Directs department to submit report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2024.

Sunset January 2, 2025.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the mental health of students; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall conduct a study of:**

5 **(a) The need for educators to be better trained to screen and refer students for assess-**
6 **ment to receive additional emotional, behavioral, psychological and mental health services**
7 **and supports; and**

8 **(b) Programs and resources available to students for additional emotional, behavioral,**
9 **psychological and mental health services and supports.**

10 **(2) The department shall report the results of the study in the manner provided by ORS**
11 **192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to an interim committee of the**
12 **Legislative Assembly related to education no later than September 15, 2024.**

13 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.**

14 **SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
15 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect**
16 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.