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Bill Title: Relating to state grants awarded by the Department of Education; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Education, School Districts, Counties, Oregon Youth Authority

Summary of Fiscal Impact

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - see explanatory analysis.

Measure Description

The measure allows the State Board of Education to award minimum grants for small average daily membership (ADM) school districts with less than 1,650 students, unless a minimum grant amount is provided for in statute. The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) is authorized to modify grant applications and reporting requirements for non-competitive, state-funded grants for small ADM school districts. The measure expands eligibility and makes funding adjustments for High School Graduation and College Readiness Act Grants, Early Warning System Grants, and Student Investment Account Grants to allow additional schools or education organizations to access these grants. The measure also changes one of the required reporting dates for the English Language Learners Program Grant.

Fiscal Analysis

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on ODE. By allowing additional schools or education organizations to access these grants, ODE staff will need to analyze each state grant to determine if establishing a minimum grant amount for small ADM school districts is possible and identify modifications to grant requirements for small ADM school districts. This increase in workload is anticipated to be absorbable within current resources.

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on school districts. The measure does not change the total amount of grant funding that is available to school districts or education providers; however, by establishing a minimum grant level for small ADM school districts, certain large and medium school districts may receive less grant funding as a result.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact to counties and the Oregon Youth Authority.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on July 1, 2025.

The measure changes the date that ODE must submit its report to school district boards on English Language Learner Program Grants from September 1 of each year to December 1 of each year.