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Bill Title: Relating to policies for the use of automated external defibrillators at schools; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Education, School Districts

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Education	\$ 2,000,000	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 2,000,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 2,000,000	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 2,000,000	-	-

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Education	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$-	-	-

Measure Description

The measure requires the governing body for a school to ensure that automated external defibrillators are located at each school and each athletic venue in select locations. In addition, the defibrillators must be in a clearly identified location that is unlocked and accessible; the defibrillators must be tested and maintained as provided by the manufacturer's guidelines; and every coach and a certain ratio of staff must be trained to use the defibrillators. Any school plan for responding to medical emergencies must include a plan for cardiac emergency responses and identifying the location of nearby defibrillators. The measure includes a one-time appropriation of \$2 million General Fund to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) in the 2025-27 biennium to distribute to school districts and public charter schools to assist with implementing the requirements of this measure, with priority given to schools with the highest financial needs.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is \$2 million General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium. ODE will need to create a new grant program and establish an application process to distribute the \$2 million to school districts and public charter schools that do not have adequate access to automated external defibrillators on campus. ODE will not require any additional staff to create and administer this grant program.

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on school districts.

Relevant Dates

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

The measure becomes operative on July 1, 2026, and first applies to the 2026-27 school year.