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Bill Title: Relating to education; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Education, Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Department of Education	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	-	-
Higher Education Coordinating Commission			\$ 10,000,000		\$ 10,000,000	1	0.50
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000	1	0.50

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

- The fiscal impact includes duplicative Other Funds expenditure limitation necessary to expend the amount transferred from the Statewide Education Initiatives Account to the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program Grant.

Measure Description

The measure directs the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to allocate \$10 million from the Statewide Education Initiatives Account to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the purpose of awarding scholarships to teacher candidates who have experience with diverse populations. the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program Grant.

Fiscal Analysis

ODE must make a one-time transfer of \$10 million from the Statewide Education Initiatives Account to the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program Grant, which is administered by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). ODE will not require any additional staffing or budgetary resources to transfer these funds. However, ODE will need additional Other Funds expenditure limitation to make the \$10 million allocation in the 2025-27 biennium.

The measure is anticipated to increase the number of applications submitted to the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program Grant. To handle the increase in workload, HECC will need one part-time, limited duration Program Analyst 2 position (0.50 FTE). Total administrative costs are estimated to be \$137,916 Other Funds. HECC will

distribute the remaining \$9.9 million as grant awards. HECC will also need additional Other Funds expenditure limitation to expend the \$10 million allocation in the 2025-27 biennium.

It is also worth noting that the Statewide Education Initiatives Account is currently fully allocated to existing initiatives. If this \$10 million is transferred to HECC, then there will be a corresponding reduction in funding for these initiatives.

Relevant Dates

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