FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION



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Bill Title: Relating to youth substance use; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Education, Oregon Health Authority

Summary of Fiscal Impact

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

Measure Description

The measure establishes the Approved Recovery School Fund and continuously appropriates money in the fund to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) to award grants to recovery schools for screenings, increased capacity, access to treatment, and startup costs. The measure is operative January 1, 2026; however, ODE may take any action necessary to ensure the grant program is able to begin on the operative date. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

Fiscal Analysis

Department of Education

The fiscal impact of the measure on ODE is minimal. ODE's 2025-27 current service level budget includes \$12.7 million Other Funds to provide an appropriate education for students enrolled in an approved recovery school. Due to a revenue shortfall in the Fund for Student Success, the Governor's 2025-27 Recommended Budget includes a revenue shortfall package, which reduces recovery school funding by \$6.3 million Other Funds. The proposed reduction would limit the program to funding only the three currently established recovery schools.

The measure establishes the Approved Recovery School Fund; however, it does not identify a dedicated revenue source or appropriate funding to capitalize the fund. Without a capitalized fund, ODE will be unable to implement the measure.

Oregon Health Authority

The measure has no fiscal impact on the Oregon Health Authority.

Relevant Dates

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The measure becomes operative on January 1, 2026.

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