

A-Engrossed House Bill 2502

Ordered by the House May 13
Including House Amendments dated May 13

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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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act tells ODE to make grants to approved recovery schools. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.3).

[Digest: The Act tells the ADPC, OHA, ODE and SOCAC to make changes designed to improve youth SUD services. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.7).]

[Directs the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission, in collaboration with the System of Care Advisory Council, the Oregon Health Authority and the Department of Education, to conduct a study to assess the feasibility of increasing the services of school-based substance use prevention, screening, intervention and referral programs. Requires the commission to report to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2026.]

[Directs the commission, in collaboration with the council, to develop a comprehensive plan for a youth continuum of care to prevent, treat and provide recovery services for substance use disorders.]

Directs the [authority, in partnership with the department and the commission,] **Department of Education** to [provide] **award** grants to approved recovery schools. **Establishes the Approved Recovery School Fund.**

Provides that the requirement to award grants to approved recovery schools becomes operative on January 1, 2026.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to youth substance use; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “approved recovery school” has the meaning given that term in ORS 336.680.

(2) The Department of Education shall award grants to approved recovery schools to:

(a) Offset costs for screenings;

(b) Provide capacity for recovery services and access to treatment; and

(c) Fund any other start-up or operating costs associated with carrying out the requirements of ORS 336.680.

(3) The department shall adopt rules as necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, “approved recovery school” has the meaning given that term in ORS 336.680.

(2) The Approved Recovery School Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Moneys in the Approved Recovery School Fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for the purpose of awarding grants to approved recovery schools as provided in section 1 of this 2025 Act.

(3) The fund shall consist of:

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.

1 (a) Moneys appropriated or otherwise transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assem-
2 bly; and

3 (b) Other amounts deposited in the fund from any source.

4 SECTION 3. (1) Section 1 of this 2025 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2026.

5 (2) The Department of Education may take any action before the operative date specified
6 in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the department to exercise, on
7 and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties,
8 functions and powers conferred on the department by section 1 of this 2025 Act.

9 SECTION 4. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
10 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect
11 on its passage.
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