## A-Engrossed House Bill 2948

Ordered by the House March 4
Including House Amendments dated March 4

Sponsored by Representative NELSON, Senator GELSER BLOUIN, Representative PHAM H; Representative FRAGALA, Senator PATTERSON (at the request of Oregon School Nurses' Association, Advocates for Disability Supports) (Presession filed.)

## **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 says who, for certain reasons, can supervise a nurse who works in a school. (Flesch Readability Score: 84.8).

[Provides that only a registered nurse may supervise a nurse in a school setting with respect to the practice of nursing.] Allows [an individual] a school administrator or other staff member who is not a nurse to supervise a school nurse or registered nurse in a school setting for purposes not related to the practice of nursing. Prohibits an administrator or other individual from directing a school nurse or registered nurse in the practice of nursing.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to schools.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:** 
    - (a) "Administrator" has the meaning given that term in ORS 342.120.
    - (b) "Practice of nursing" has the meaning given that term in ORS 678.010.
      - (c) "School nurse" has the meaning given that term in ORS 342.455.
    - (2) A school nurse, or a registered nurse whose responsibilities include the coordination of school nursing services provided to individual students pursuant to ORS 336.201, shall coordinate school nursing services to ensure care for individual students in a school to the extent that the care is within the practice of nursing.
    - (3)(a) An administrator or other staff member who is not a nurse may supervise, evaluate or direct a school nurse or registered nurse described in subsection (2) of this section for purposes related to the nurse's role as a school employee, including but not limited to assigning the nurse's work hours, locations and workload and other matters addressed through a collective bargaining agreement.
    - (b) An administrator or other staff member may not direct the school nurse or registered nurse in the practice of nursing.
      - (4) Nothing in this section:
    - (a) Requires a school nurse or registered nurse to be clinically supervised in a school setting;
    - (b) Requires a school district that employs a school nurse or registered nurse to provide a clinical supervisor for the nurse; or
      - (c) Prohibits another nurse, or an administrator or other staff member who is not a

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- 1 nurse, from conferring with the school nurse or registered nurse with respect to the practice
- 2 of nursing or issues related to student safety.

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