

# A-Engrossed Senate Bill 315

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## SUMMARY

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**Digest: Tells ODE to take actions, and to develop a common coding system, for student absences. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).**

*[Digest: Tells ODE to take actions about how school districts record and respond to student absences. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).]*

Directs the Department of Education to review, *[and]* make recommendations **and develop best practices** related to the recording of student absences and how school districts respond to student absences **and to develop a common coding system for school districts to use for student absences.**

*[Requires school districts to report to the department when a student is not considered to have regular attendance.]*

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the recording of student absences.

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

### **SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall:**

**(a) Review, make recommendations and develop best practices related to:**

**(A) The recording of student absences by school districts; and**

**(B) School district responses to student absences that exceed 10 days.**

**(b) Develop a common coding system for school districts to record and report student absences for the purposes of ORS 339.065, with consideration of the size and geographic location of a school district.**

**(2)(a) Not later than May 31, 2026, the department shall provide a report to:**

**(A) The interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to education; and**

**(B) The State Board of Education.**

**(b) The report required under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall:**

**(A) Summarize the review conducted, the recommendations made and the best practices developed as described in subsection (1)(a) of this section;**

**(B) Summarize the common coding system developed as provided by subsection (1)(b) of this section; and**

**(C) Recommend any changes in administrative rules and legislation, including identifying any funding needed for implementation.**

### **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.**

**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.