

# Senate Bill 5515

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

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Department of Education for certain biennial expenses.

Limits certain biennial expenditures by the department from lottery moneys.

Limits certain biennial expenditures from certain fees, moneys or other revenues collected or received by the department.

Limits biennial expenditures by the department from certain federal funds.

Limits biennial expenditures and transfers by the department from specified accounts.

Authorizes specified nonlimited expenditures.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the financial administration of the Department of Education; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** There are appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the following amounts, for the following purposes:

(1) Operations..... \$ 137,868,268

(2) Oregon School for the Deaf.. \$ 16,520,312

**SECTION 2.** There are appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the following amounts, which are to be distributed as grants-in-aid, for program costs and to purchase services, for the following purposes:

(1) Early intervention services  
and early childhood special  
education programs ..... \$ 250,201,917

(2) Other K-12 grant-in-aid  
programs..... \$ 330,938,521

(3) Youth development  
programs..... \$ 16,456,132

**SECTION 3.** Notwithstanding ORS 327.856, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$137,753,161 for deposit into the High School Graduation and College and Career Readiness Fund.

**SECTION 4.** There is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium

**Note: For budget, see 2025-2027 Biennial Budget**

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.

beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$86,744,912 for debt service on general obligation bonds.

**SECTION 5.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of \$77,489,416 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from lottery moneys allocated from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund for deposit in the School Capital Matching Fund established under ORS 286A.806 as described in section 4, Article XI-P, of the Oregon Constitution.

**SECTION 6.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of \$8,693,643 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from lottery moneys allocated from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to the Department of Education for debt service.

**SECTION 7.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses, other than expenses described in sections 8 and 16 of this 2025 Act, from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds, corporate activity tax funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Department of Education, for the following purposes:

- (1) Capital bonding ..... \$ 472,242,500
- (2) Operations..... \$ 109,651,288
- (3) Oregon School for the Deaf.. \$ 7,513,371

**SECTION 8.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of grants-in-aid, program costs and purchased services from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds, corporate activity tax funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Department of Education for programs other than those specified in sections 7 and 16 of this 2025 Act, for the following purposes:

- (1) Youth development programs..... \$ 6,874,100
- (2) All other grants ..... \$ 105,848,898
- (3) Educator Advancement Council ..... \$ 46,219,488

**SECTION 9.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses from federal funds, other than those described in sections 10 and 16 of this 2025 Act, collected or received by the Department of Education, for the following purposes:

- (1) Operations..... \$ 4,074,452
- (2) Oregon School for the Deaf.. \$ 516,066

**SECTION 10.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of grants-in-aid, program costs and purchased services from federal funds, other than those described in sections 9 and 16 of this 2025 Act, received by the Department of Education, for the following purposes:

- (1) Youth development programs..... \$ 1,362,829
- (2) All other grants ..... \$ 1,035,126,502

1       **SECTION 11.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of  
2 \$1,212,483,154 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit  
3 for payments of grants-in-aid, program costs and purchased services by the Department of  
4 Education from the Student Investment Account established under ORS 327.175.

5       **SECTION 12.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of  
6 \$115,377,826 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for  
7 payments of grants-in-aid, program costs and purchased services by the Department of Ed-  
8 ucation from the Early Learning Account established under ORS 327.269, for early inter-  
9 vention services and early childhood special education programs.

10       **SECTION 13.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of  
11 \$443,345,793 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for  
12 payment of expenses by the Department of Education for a transfer of corporate activities  
13 tax funds from the Early Learning Account established under ORS 327.269 to the Department  
14 of Early Learning and Care.

15       **SECTION 14.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts  
16 are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payments  
17 of grants-in-aid, program costs and purchased services by the Department of Education from  
18 the Statewide Education Initiatives Account established under ORS 327.250, for the following  
19 purposes:

- 20       (1) **High School Graduation**
- 21             **and College and Career**
- 22             **Readiness Fund..... \$ 203,055,837**
- 23       (2) **Reengagement program ..... \$ 9,059,615**
- 24       (3) **All other grants..... \$ 354,767,401**

25       **SECTION 15.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of  
26 \$48,474,045 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for  
27 payment of expenses by the Department of Education from the Statewide Education Initi-  
28 atives Account established under ORS 327.250 for operations.

29       **SECTION 16.** For the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, the following expenditures by the  
30 Department of Education are not limited:

- 31       (1) Moneys from the School Foods Revolving Account, Education Training Revolving Ac-  
32 count and Common School Fund; and
- 33       (2) Expenditures for grants-in-aid and purchased services from federal funds received by  
34 the Department of Education from the United States Department of Agriculture.

35       **SECTION 17.** This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
36 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect  
37 July 1, 2025.