

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2964**

Ordered by the House March 14  
Including House Amendments dated March 14

Sponsored by Representatives DOHERTY, BONHAM, EVANS; Representatives HELT, REARDON, RESCHKE, SOLLMAN

**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.

*[Directs Department of Education to conduct study to determine adequacy of public education in state.]*

*[Directs department to submit report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to education no later than September 15, 2020.]*

*[Sunsets December 31, 2020.]*

*[Declares emergency, effective on passage.]*

**Directs Department of Education to create Oregon Education Support Professional of the Year Program.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to education.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Education shall create an Oregon Education Support Professional of the Year Program.**

**(2) Each year, in collaboration with the Oregon State Lottery Commission, the Department of Education shall honor and recognize at least one outstanding education support professional that serves students in any grade from prekindergarten through grade 12.**

**(3) To qualify for an award, a candidate or another person on behalf of a candidate shall demonstrate that the candidate:**

**(a) Excels in the candidate's field and guides students of all backgrounds and abilities to achieve excellence.**

**(b) Collaborates with colleagues, students and families to create a school culture of respect and success.**

**(c) Demonstrates leadership and innovation.**

**(d) Communicates in an engaging and articulate way.**

**(4) The State Board of Education may adopt rules specifying:**

**(a) The application process;**

**(b) The selection criteria that will be used in awarding the Oregon Education Support Professional of the Year award; and**

**(c) Any duties of the recipient after receiving the award.**

**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.