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### **House Republicans renew push for fully funded schools, oppose ‘cuts’ budget**

*Republicans move to send school budget bill back to committee to increase amount*

**SALEM, Ore.** – Today House Republicans made a motion to send the school budget bill back to committee from the floor to increase the amount from \$9.3 billion to \$9.6 billion before it passes.

House Democrats opposed the motion to fully fund schools.

Republicans have supported school districts’ calls for a fully funded school budget, which education leaders say amounts to \$9.6 billion to avoid layoffs and budget cuts. The current proposal is \$300,000,000 less than what schools need to operate at full capacity, they say.

“We should not be moving forward with a budget that will harm our kids’ education in the long run,” said House Republican Leader Christine Drazan (R-Canby). “Schools tell us that \$9.6 billion is needed to avoid cuts next year, and we must believe them. Our state has more money than ever, and we’re committed to giving families the choice of in-person learning next fall. This is the wrong time to move forward with a ‘cuts’ budget. Our kids deserve better.”

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