



Oregon Department of
**Early Learning
and Care**

TAC Meeting

February 12, 2025





Welcome!



Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Roll Call
3. CTGR Early Learning Programs
4. DELC Updates
5. Tribal Early Learning Plan and Fund Updates
6. Tribal Comments, Questions, Feedback
7. Closing and Adjournment





Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

Early Learning Programs, presented by Angela Fasana





Legislative Updates

Main Committees: DELC activities to date

House Early Childhood and Human Services

- Jan. 21- [General presentation on DELC](#)
- Jan. 28- [Presentation](#) on Oregon Tribal Early Learning Alliance and ERDC
- Jan. 30- Presentation/Public Hearing on [Dolly Parton's Imagination Library](#) (HB 2811)

Senate Early Childhood and Behavioral Health

- Jan. 21- [General presentation on DELC](#)

Ways and Means- Education Sub-committee (presentations on February 3,4, 5th)

- Feb. 3rd- [Education Agencies Overview](#)
- Feb. 4th- [Early Literacy](#)
- Feb. 5th- [Provider Workforce](#)



House Bill 2815: Tribal Early Learning Plan and Fund

Legislative Updates

Funding Survey Results





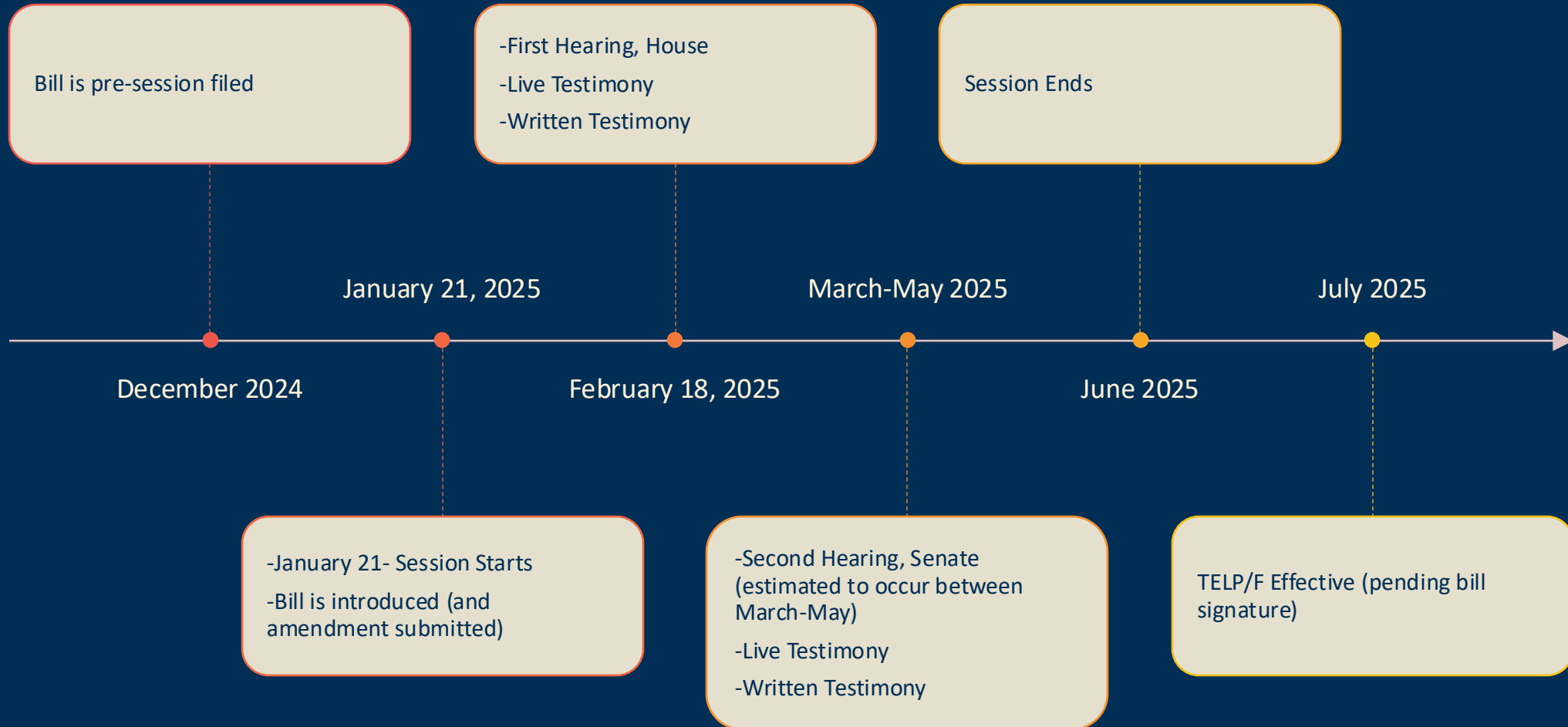
HB 2815: Tribal Early Learning Plan and Fund

House Early Childhood & Human Services Committee

- Amendment will be submitted (Chair Hartman)
- Informational Hearing held on January 28
 - Director Chatterjee and OTELA Liaison Dana Castano presented: [Early Childhood and Human Services House 2025 Regular Session - Oregon Legislative Information System](#)
- Hearing Scheduled for **February 18**
 - Presenters needed!
 - Written testimony may be submitted on OLIS: [Oregon State Legislature](#)



Legislative Timeline





Legislative Testimony Reminders

- Public Hearing Scheduled for Feb. 18, 8:00 AM-9:30 AM at the Oregon State Capitol, Hearing Room E
- House Early Childhood & Human Services Committee, 9 members
- Can sign up up to 30-minutes prior to the hearing in OLIS
- Can submit testimony up to 48 hours after the hearing (February 20) in OLIS
- Testify around 2-3 minutes
- Share how this bill personally impacts you and your Tribe
- Director Chatterjee, Kathy Wai (Interim Government Affairs Manager), and Dana Castano will be present to answer questions
- DELC can provide support, such as scheduling a meeting to prepare, prior to the public hearing

1. Needs-Based (Tribes specify amount they need each biennium)

Recognizing that some Tribes have expressed concern with being able to expend a large amount of funding in the 25-27 biennium, each Tribe could submit a proposed spending plan to DELC as an application for funding.

| Application Options | |
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| Process Options | Considerations for Further Discussion |
| Option 1: Each Tribe submits their full list of funding needs (no maximum) to DELC and OTELA for review. Funding is automatically granted up to the equal distribution amount (~\$573,000 under current recommendations). | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full list of funding needs provides valuable information to share with the Legislature to demonstrate clear need for investment.• Tribes may need to indicate which projects they plan to fund, and which would require additional investment. |
| Option 2: Each Tribe submits a list of funding needs up to a certain amount (\$573,000 under current recommendations) to DELC and OTELA for review. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Timelines and application criteria would need to be developed to submit and review applications and determine additional funding amounts. |

Funding
Distribution
Methods

2. Equal Distribution with Reallocation of Unspent Funds Proposed Process

Under this proposal, each Tribe would receive a grant agreement in the amount of \$573,000 (or whatever total amount is determined by the Legislature) from DELC. Each Tribe would submit a proposed spending plan to DELC that can exceed the available \$573,000 and report to DELC on the liquidation of funds throughout the biennium. If a Tribe is unable to spend the full awarded amount within the biennium, the unspent funds would be redistributed through one of the options below. Tribes could notify DELC at the start of the biennium if they do not plan to spend their full award amount.

| Redistribution Options | |
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| Process Options | Considerations for Further Discussion |
| Option 1: Any remaining funds in the second half of the biennium are redistributed equally amongst the Tribes on track to fully expend their funding. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not all Tribes may want to take on extra funds.• Some Tribes may only want to take on a limited amount of additional funding. |
| Option 2: Any Tribe who wants additional funding submits an application to OTELA to determine how unspent funding is distributed. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Could create another barrier for Tribes to access funding.• Timelines and application criteria would need to be developed to submit and review applications and determine additional funding amounts. |
| Option 3: Hold back unspent funds for DELC administration (technical assistance, requested support) or to grant to organizations that support Tribal communities (i.e. NAYA). | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Likely to be used for true one-time investments without concern for ongoing costs. |

January TAC Meeting and Funding Survey Results

7 Tribes prefer Needs-Based; 2 Tribes prefer Equal Distribution

Needs-Based

Under needs-Based, Option 1 is preferred:

Option 1: Each Tribe submits their full list of funding needs (no maximum) to DELC and OTELA for review. Funding is automatically granted up to the equal distribution amount (\$573,000 under current recommendations).

Equal Distribution

Under Equal Distribution, Option 2 is preferred more than Option 1. Option 3 was not selected:

Option 2: Any Tribe who wants additional funding submits an application to OTELA to determine how unspent funding is distributed.

Option 1: Any remaining funds in the second half of the biennium are redistributed equally amongst the Tribes on track to fully expend their funding



Tribal Discussion

Space for Tribal Comments, Questions, Feedback





Closing and Next Steps

Thank you!

