

House Bill 3180

Sponsored by Representative CLEM (at the request of Paul Evans)

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**.

Requires student who receives diploma from school district to receive passing score on assessment of Oregon Studies and subjects on test administered to immigrants who apply for citizenship. Directs Department of Education, in consultation with Secretary of State, to develop assessment.

Applies new assessment requirement to students who receive high school diploma on or after July 1, 2011.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to high school graduation requirements; amending ORS 329.451 and section 3, chapter 827,
3 Oregon Laws 2005; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 329.451 is amended to read:

6 329.451. (1) In order to receive a high school diploma from a school district, a student must meet
7 the requirements established by the State Board of Education and, while in grades 9 through 12,
8 must *[complete]*:

9 (a) **Complete** at least 24 credit hours, as defined by rule of the board;

10 (b) **Complete** three years of mathematics; *[and]*

11 (c) **Complete** four years of English; **and**

12 (d) **Meet the requirements of subsection (2) of this section.**

13 **(2) In order to receive a high school diploma from a school district, a student must re-**
14 **ceive a passing score on an assessment that allows the student to demonstrate proficiency**
15 **in Oregon Studies, as defined in ORS 329.007, and those subjects included in the test admin-**
16 **istered by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to immigrants who apply**
17 **for United States citizenship. The assessment shall be developed by the Department of Edu-**
18 **cation in consultation with the Secretary of State. The department shall also establish what**
19 **is considered to be a passing score on the assessment.**

20 *[(2)]* **(3)** Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a school district may award a diploma
21 to a student who does not meet the requirements of subsection (1)(b) or (c) of this section if the
22 student:

23 (a) Has met or exceeded the academic content standards for mathematics or English established
24 by the board; or

25 (b) Displays proficiency in mathematics or English at a level established by the board.

26 **SECTION 2.** Section 3, chapter 827, Oregon Laws 2005, is amended to read:

27 **Sec. 3.** (1) The requirements of *[section 1 of this 2005 Act]* **ORS 329.451 (1)(a) to (c) and (3)**
28 **apply to students who receive a high school diploma from a school district on or after July 1, 2009.**

29 **(2) The requirements of ORS 329.451 (1)(d) and (2) apply to students who receive a high**

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.

1 school diploma from a school district on or after July 1, 2011.

2 **SECTION 3. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
3 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect**
4 **July 1, 2007.**

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