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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2636

1 On page 5 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 39 and insert:

<u>SECTION 7.</u> (1) The STEM Investment Grant Program is established to provide funding to school districts, community colleges and
public universities listed in ORS 352.002 to advance the goals described
in section 1 (2) of this 2013 Act.

"(2) The STEM Investment Council shall administer the grant program established by this section.

"(3)(a) An application for a grant awarded under this section may
be submitted by:

10 "(A) A school district;

11 "(B) A community college district;

12 "(C) A public university;

13 **"(D) The Department of Education;** 

"(E) The Department of Community Colleges and Workforce De velopment;

16 "(F) The Oregon University System;

17 "(G) Any other state agency; or

"(H) Any combination of entities identified in this paragraph that
 are organized as a partnership or a regional effort to improve student
 achievement in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

21 "(b) A grant awarded under this section may be used for:

<sup>22</sup> "(A) Classroom or extracurricular activities that further the devel-

opment of skills related to science, technology, engineering or mathematics; or

"(B) A project that is related to science, technology, engineering
or mathematics and that involves collaboration with a private entity.

"(4) When evaluating applications for a grant, the council:

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6 "(a) Shall give priority to applications for activities or projects that 7 produce the largest impact at the lowest cost or for the greatest 8 number of students throughout this state, including grants for activ-9 ities or projects that:

"(A) Are determined by the council to be likely to become self supporting within three years;

"(B) Expand evidence-based, effective practices in science, technol ogy, engineering or mathematics;

14 "(C) Can be replicated by other entities in this state;

15 **"(D) Show evidence of attracting matching funds;** 

"(E) If the applicant is an entity identified in subsection (3)(a)(A)
 to (C) of this section, have demonstrable support from the governing
 body of the entity;

"(F) Help improve access by underrepresented groups to activities
 that involve science, technology, engineering or mathematics; or

"(G) Are elements of a partnership or a regional effort to improve
 student achievement in science, technology, engineering or math ematics;

"(b) May give priority to applications for activities or projects that benefit students in more than one student group among students in kindergarten through grade 12, students in community colleges and students in universities;

"(c) Shall attempt to achieve a balance, as determined by the
 council, among grants that are awarded for the sole benefit of students
 in kindergarten through grade 12, students in community colleges and

1 students in universities; and

"(d) Shall take into consideration geographic and demographic diversity.".

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