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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 666

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "327.008;" and insert "329.842; 2 appropriating money;".

3 Delete lines 6 through 30 and delete pages 2 through 4 and insert:

4 "<u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) As used in this section, 'supplemental online 5 courses' means online courses provided:

"(a) By a virtual public charter school to a student who is enrolled
in a public school in this state; and

"(b) As less than half of a student's average course load, as determined by the State Board of Education by rule.

10 "(2) A virtual public charter school may receive funding for sup-11 plemental online courses only as provided by this section. If a virtual 12 public charter school receives funding for supplemental online courses 13 as provided by this section, the virtual public charter school may not 14 receive funding as provided by ORS 338.155.

"(3) Supplemental online courses may be made available to students
 only through:

"(a) A school district that purchases a supplemental online course
 from a virtual public charter school and makes the supplemental on line course available to a student of the school district; or

"(b) A virtual public charter school that provides the supplemental
 online course to a student enrolled in the virtual public charter school.
 "(4) If a student successfully completes a supplemental online

course, the Department of Education shall make a distribution from
 moneys available for that purpose from the Oregon Virtual School
 District Fund to:

4 "(a) The school district that purchased the course; or

5 "(b) The virtual public charter school that provided the course to
6 a student enrolled in the school.

"(5)(a) If a student does not successfully complete a supplemental
online course, the Department of Education may not make any distributions from the Oregon Virtual School District Fund for the student for the course.

"(b) A virtual public charter school that provided a supplemental online course to a school district for use by a student of the school district who did not successfully complete the supplemental online course shall provide a refund to the school district based on the number of weeks of the course that the student completed, up to half of the cost of the course as calculated under subsection (6)(a) of this section.

18 "(6)(a) The Department of Education shall calculate the amount to 19 be distributed for a supplemental online course. The amount may not 20 exceed 0.0834 of the charter school rate of the school district that is 21 the sponsor. The Department of Education shall determine the charter 22 school rate for the school district that is the sponsor.

"(b) To pay for the administrative costs of the school district that
is the sponsor, the school district that is the sponsor of the virtual
public charter school shall receive the lesser of:

"(A) Five percent of the amount distributed from the Department
 of Education under paragraph (a) of this subsection; or

"(B) The percentage agreed upon by the school district that is the
 sponsor and the virtual public charter school.

30 "(c) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule any require-

ments related to the distribution of funds under this subsection, including:

"(A) Timelines for submission of requests for distributions; and
"(B) Provisions for prorating amounts distributed if amounts reguested for distribution exceed amounts available for distribution.

"(7) A supplemental online course that is funded as provided by this
section must be taught by a teacher who is licensed by the Teacher
Standards and Practices Commission.

9 "(8) Prior to distributing funds for a supplemental online course, 10 the Department of Education must approve the course. When approv-11 ing the course, the department shall ensure that the course meets the 12 requirement described in subsection (7) of this section.

"(9) For the purpose of determining whether online courses are provided as less than half of a student's average course load, a student shall be considered to be taking online courses as less than half of the student's average course load, even if all courses taken by the student are online courses, if the student's total course load is less than half of an average course load.

<sup>19</sup> "<u>SECTION 3.</u> ORS 329.842 is amended to read:

"329.842. (1) The Oregon Virtual School District Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Oregon Virtual School District Fund shall be credited to the fund. All moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for:

"(a) The administration of the Oregon Virtual School District created
 under ORS 329.840.

## 27 "(b) Distributions made for the purposes of section 2 of this 2013 28 Act.

"(2) Any moneys received by the department for the purpose of the Oregon
Virtual School District shall be deposited in the fund.

"SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education for deposit
in the Oregon Virtual School District Fund, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$5,250,000,
which shall be expended as follows:

6 "(1) Up to \$1,500,000 for distributions made during the 2013-2014 7 school year for the purposes of section 2 of this 2013 Act; and

8 "(2) Up to \$3,750,000 for distributions made during the 2014-2015
9 school year for the purposes of section 2 of this 2013 Act.

"SECTION 5. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
 declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect July 1, 2013.".

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