HB 4150-1 (LC 26) 2/5/18 (HRL/ps)

Requested by Representative SALINAS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4150

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "342.704 and" and insert 2 "342.700 and 342.704.".

3 In line 3, delete "342.708".

4 Delete lines 5 through 30 and delete <u>page 2</u> and insert:

5 **"SECTION 1.** ORS 342.704 is amended to read:

"342.704. (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum
requirements for school district policies on sexual harassment of students
by staff members and other students including, but not limited to, requirements that:

10 "(a) All staff **members** and students are subject to the policies;

11 "(b) Sexual harassment of students includes:

12 "(A) A demand for sexual favors in exchange for benefits; and

"(B) Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that has the purpose or effect
 of unreasonably interfering with a student's educational performance or that
 creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile educational environment;

"(c) When a student or the student's parents file a complaint alleging behavior that may violate the policy, the student or student's
parents shall receive a written notification as described in subsection
(3) of this section;

20 "[(c)] (d) All complaints about behavior that may violate the policy shall 21 be investigated; "[(d)] (e) The initiation of a complaint in good faith about behavior that may violate the policy [shall] may not adversely affect the educational assignments or study environment of the student; and

"[(e)] (f) The student who initiated the complaint and the student's parents shall be notified:

6 "(A) When the investigation is concluded[.]; and

"(B) Of the outcomes of the investigation, including whether a violation occurred.

9 "(2) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum require-10 ments for school district policies on sexual harassment of staff **members** by 11 students and other staff **members** including, but not limited to, requirements 12 that:

13 "(a) All staff **members** and students are subject to the policies;

14 "(b) Sexual harassment of staff **members** includes:

¹⁵ "(A) A demand for sexual favors in exchange for benefits; and

(B) Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a staff [*person's*] **member's** ability to perform the job or that creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile work environment;

"(c) When a staff member files a complaint alleging behavior that
may violate the policy, the staff member shall receive a written notification as described in subsection (3) of this section;

"[(c)] (d) All complaints about behavior that may violate the policy shall
be investigated;

²⁵ "[(d)] (e) The initiation of a complaint in good faith about behavior that ²⁶ may violate the policy shall not adversely affect any terms or conditions of ²⁷ employment or work environment of the staff [complainant] member who ²⁸ initiated the complaint; and

"[(e)] (f) The staff member who initiated the complaint shall be notified
when the investigation is concluded.

"(3)(a) The written notification required under subsections (1)(c)
and (2)(c) of this section must set forth:

"(A) The rights of the student, student's parents or staff member
who filed the complaint;

"(B) Information about the legal and disciplinary options that the
student, student's parents or staff member who filed the complaint
may pursue, including but not limited to:

8 "(i) Civil and criminal remedies, including any related statutes of
9 limitations; and

"(ii) Disciplinary processes available through the school or school
 district;

"(C) Information about services available to the student or staff
 member through the school or school district, including any coun seling services, nursing services or peer advising.

"(D) Information about the privacy rights of the student or staff
 member, including any limitations of privacy for services available
 through the school or school district; and

"(E) Information about, and contact information for, state and
 community-based services and resources that are available to persons
 who have experienced sexual harassment.

21 "(b) The written notification required by this subsection must:

²² "(A) Be written in plain language that is easy to understand;

"(B) Use print that is of a color, size and font that allow the notification to be easily read; and

²⁵ "(C) Be made available to students, students' parents and staff ²⁶ members on the Internet website of the school or school district.

²⁷ "SECTION 2. ORS 342.700 is amended to read:

28 "342.700. It is the policy of the State of Oregon that sexual harassment 29 will not be tolerated in schools. A school district shall adopt a policy on 30 sexual harassment for students and staff **members** that meets the require-

HB 4150-1 2/5/18 Proposed Amendments to HB 4150 1 ments of ORS 342.704. A school district shall make the sexual harassment 2 policy available to students, parents of students and staff **members**. A 3 school district's sexual harassment policy shall be posted on a sign that is 4 at least 8.5 by 11 inches in size. The school district shall post the sign in 5 all grade 6 through 12 schools in the school district.

"SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 342.704 by section 1 of this
2018 Act apply to complaints that are initiated under ORS 342.704 on
or after the effective date of this 2018 Act.

- 9 "SECTION 4. This 2018 Act takes effect on July 1, 2018.".
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