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Requested by Representative SALINAS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4150

- On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "342.704 and" and insert "342.700 and 342.704".
- 3 In line 3, delete "342.708".
- Delete lines 5 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:
- **"SECTION 1.** ORS 342.704 is amended to read:
- 6 "342.704. (1) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum
- 7 requirements for school district policies on sexual harassment of students
- 8 by staff **members** and other students including, but not limited to, require-
- 9 ments that:
- "(a) All staff **members** and students are subject to the policies;
- "(b) Sexual harassment of students includes:
- "(A) A demand for sexual favors in exchange for benefits; and
- 13 "(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, if applicable, the student's parents file a
- 17 complaint alleging behavior that may violate the policy, the student
- or student's parents shall receive a written notification as described
- in subsection (4) of this section;
- "[(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] educational environment of the student who initiated
- "[(e)] (f) The student who initiated the complaint and, if applicable, the student's parents shall be notified:
 - "(A) When the investigation is concluded[.]; and

the complaint; and

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- 8 "(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have oc-9 curred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student 10 confidentiality laws.
- "(2) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum requirements for school district policies on sexual harassment of staff **members** by students and other staff **members** including, but not limited to, requirements that:
- "(a) All staff members and students are subject to the policies;
- 16 "(b) Sexual harassment of staff **members** includes:
- "(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 (4) of this section;
- 25 "[(c)] (d) All complaints about behavior that may violate the policy shall be investigated;
- "[(d)] (e) The initiation of a complaint in good faith about behavior that
 may violate the policy [shall] may not adversely affect any terms or conditions of employment or work environment of the staff [complainant] member
 who initiated the complaint; and

- "[(e)] (f) The staff member who initiated the complaint shall be notified: 1
- "(A) When the investigation is concluded[.]; and 2

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- "(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have oc-3 curred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student 4 confidentiality laws. 5
- "(3) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum 6 requirements for school district policies on sexual harassment of persons described in paragraph (b) of this subsection by staff members 8 and students, including, but not limited to, requirements that:
- "(a) All staff members and students are subject to the policies; 10
 - "(b) The policies apply to persons who are on or immediately adjacent to school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on schoolprovided transportation or at any official school bus stop;
- "(c) Sexual harassment of persons described in paragraph (b) of this 14 subsection includes: 15
- "(A) A demand for sexual favors in exchange for benefits; and 16
 - "(B) Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that:
- "(i) Has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a 18 person's educational performance or a person's ability to perform the 19 job; or 20
- "(ii) Creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile educational or 21 work environment; 22
- "(d) When a person or, if applicable, the person's parents file a 23 complaint alleging behavior that may violate the policy, the person 24 or person's parents shall receive a written notification as described in 25 subsection (4) of this section; 26
- "(e) All complaints about behavior that may violate the policy shall 27 be investigated; 28
- "(f) The initiation of a complaint in good faith about behavior that 29 may violate the policy may not adversely affect any terms or condi-30

- tions of employment or of work or educational environment of the person who initiated the complaint; and
- "(g) The person who initiated the complaint and, if applicable, the person's parents shall be notified:
 - "(A) When the investigation is concluded; and

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- "(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have ocrourred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student confidentiality laws.
- 9 "(4)(a) The written notification required under subsections (1)(c), 10 (2)(c) and (3)(d) of this section must set forth:
- 11 "(A) The rights of the student, student's parents, staff member, 12 person or person's parents who filed the complaint;
 - "(B) Information about the internal complaint processes available through the school or school district that the student, student's parents, staff member, person or person's parents who filed the complaint may pursue;
- "(C) Notice that civil and criminal remedies that are not provided by the school or school district may be available to the student, student's parents, staff member, person or person's parents through the legal system and that those remedies may be subject to statutes of limitation;
- "(D) Information about services available to the student or staff
 member through the school or school district, including any counseling services, nursing services or peer advising;
- 25 "(E) Information about the privacy rights of the student, staff 26 member or person; and
- "(F) Information about, and contact information for, state and community-based services and resources that are available to persons who have experienced sexual harassment.
 - "(b) The written notification required by this subsection must:

- "(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
- "(C) Be made available to students, students' parents, staff members and members of the public on the website of the school or school district.
 - **"SECTION 2.** ORS 342.700 is amended to read:
- "342.700. It is the policy of the State of Oregon that sexual harassment 8 will not be tolerated in schools. A school district shall adopt a policy on 9 sexual harassment for students and staff members that meets the require-10 ments of ORS 342.704. A school district shall make the sexual harassment 11 policy available to students, parents of students and staff members. A 12 school district's sexual harassment policy shall be posted on a sign that is 13 at least 8.5 by 11 inches in size. The school district shall post the sign in 14 all grade 6 through 12 schools in the school district. 15
 - "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.
 - "SECTION 4. This 2018 Act takes effect on July 1, 2018.".

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