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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 page 2 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, if applicable, 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 (4) 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] educational environment of the student who initiated the complaint; and

5 "[(e)] (f) The student who initiated the complaint and, if applicable, the 6 student's parents shall be notified:

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

"(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have occurred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student
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:

<sup>15</sup> "(a) All staff **members** and students are subject to the policies;

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

17 "(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;

"[(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

1 "[(e)] (f) The staff member who initiated the complaint shall be notified:

<sup>2</sup> "(A) When the investigation is concluded[.]; and

"(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have occurred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student
confidentiality laws.

"(3) The State Board of Education shall adopt by rule minimum
requirements for school district policies on sexual harassment of persons described in paragraph (b) of this subsection by staff members
and students, including, but not limited to, requirements that:

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

"(b) The policies apply to persons who are on or immediately adja cent to school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on school provided transportation or at any official school bus stop;

"(c) Sexual harassment of persons described in paragraph (b) of this
 subsection includes:

<sup>16</sup> "(A) A demand for sexual favors in exchange for benefits; and

17 "(B) Unwelcome conduct of a sexual nature that:

"(i) Has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a
 person's educational performance or a person's ability to perform the
 job; or

"(ii) Creates an intimidating, offensive or hostile educational or
 work environment;

"(d) When a person or, if applicable, the person's parents file a complaint alleging behavior that may violate the policy, the person or person's parents shall receive a written notification as described in subsection (4) of this section;

27 "(e) All complaints about behavior that may violate the policy shall
28 be investigated;

29 "(f) The initiation of a complaint in good faith about behavior that 30 may violate the policy may not adversely affect any terms or conditions 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:

5 "(A) When the investigation is concluded; and

6 "(B) As to whether a violation of the policy was found to have oc-7 curred, to the extent allowable under state and federal student 8 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:

"(A) The rights of the student, student's parents, staff member,
 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 par ents, 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 coun seling services, nursing services or peer advising;

"(E) Information about the privacy rights of the student, staff
 member or person and legally recognized exceptions to those rights for
 internal complaint processes and services available through the school
 or school district; and

"(F) Information about, and contact information for, state and
 community-based services and resources that are available to persons

1 who have experienced sexual harassment.

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

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

4 "(B) Use print that is of a color, size and font that allow the no-5 tification to be easily read; and

6 "(C) Be made available to students, students' parents, staff mem-7 bers and members of the public on the website of the school or school 8 district.

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

"342.700. It is the policy of the State of Oregon that sexual harassment 10 will not be tolerated in schools. A school district shall adopt a policy on 11 sexual harassment for students and staff **members** that meets the require-12 ments of ORS 342.704. A school district shall make the sexual harassment 13 policy available to students, parents of students and staff members. A 14 school district's sexual harassment policy shall be posted on a sign that is 15 at least 8.5 by 11 inches in size. The school district shall post the sign in 16 all grade 6 through 12 schools in the school district. 17

"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.

<sup>21</sup> "SECTION 4. This 2018 Act takes effect on July 1, 2018.".

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