

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 971

By COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

April 18

1 Delete lines 4 through 10 of the printed bill and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. The Legislative Assembly finds and declares that:**

3 **“(1) American Indian tribal languages have been spoken since time immemorial and are**
4 **still spoken.**

5 **“(2) Oregon’s American Indian languages have been interrupted by relocation of Ameri-**
6 **can Indian tribes to reservations, separation of American Indian tribes, eradication of an-**
7 **cestral livelihoods, federal boarding school policies, forced religious conversion and other**
8 **systemic federal policies to assimilate American Indian people into the greater American**
9 **population.**

10 **“(3) American Indian languages are also known as heritage languages and are in different**
11 **stages of revitalization in tribal communities in Oregon.**

12 **“(4) Heritage languages are vital and the efforts at revitalization by American Indian**
13 **tribes deserve recognition and support in addition to ORS 329.493 and 342.144.**

14 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section and section 1 of this 2019 Act, ‘American Indian**
15 **tribe’ means an Indian tribe as that term is defined in ORS 97.740.**

16 **“(2) The Legislative Assembly declares that the American Indian languages of the nine**
17 **tribes of Oregon, as follows, are official Oregon heritage languages:**

18 **“(a) Burns Paiute Tribe: Paiute and Wadatika Yaduan.**

19 **“(b) The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians: Miluk, Hanis**
20 **and Sha’yushtl’a.**

21 **“(c) The Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon: Chinook**
22 **(Chinuk) Wawa.**

23 **“(d) The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians: Athabaskan.**

24 **“(e) The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation: Umatilla, Walla Walla**
25 **and Weyiiletpuu.**

26 **“(f) The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs: Kiksht, Ichishkiin and Numu.**

27 **“(g) Coquille Indian Tribe: Miluk, Athabaskan and Chinuk Wawa.**

28 **“(h) Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians: Takelma.**

29 **“(i) Klamath Tribes: Klamath.**

30 **“(3) Each American Indian tribe of Oregon may determine its needs for and plans to re-**
31 **vitalize its heritage languages. The Department of Education shall communicate at least**
32 **once each quarter with each American Indian tribe regarding the needs and plans of each**
33 **American Indian tribe and shall provide any needed assistance and support to the American**
34 **Indian tribe, including collaboration in the development of a curriculum with Oregon educa-**
35 **tors, the establishment of community forums and the creation of learning spaces for the**

1 **American Indian tribe.**

2 **“SECTION 3. There is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium**
3 **beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$900,000 for the purpose of**
4 **carrying out the provisions of section 2 of this 2019 Act.**

5 **“SECTION 4. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
6 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
7 **on its passage.”.**

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