A-Engrossed Senate Bill 416

Ordered by the Senate April 8 Including Senate Amendments dated April 8

Sponsored by Senator GORSEK (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Requires] **Permits** community colleges to allow each criminal justice course [offered] **approved** by **curriculum committee of** college to be eligible course for social science cluster portion of associate degree. Requires public universities to **accept as general education courses any criminal justice courses credited toward completion of Associate of Arts Transfer degree or Associate of Science Transfer degree** [grant same amount of academic credit to student transferring from community college with associate degree, regardless of whether courses in social science cluster taken by student include criminal justice courses].

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to courses offered as part of associate degree program.

3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) Each community college operated under ORS chapter 341 that offers a 5 form of associate degree, including an Associate of Arts Transfer degree or an Associate of 6 Science Transfer degree, that either requires or permits a student to take a cluster of 7 courses in the social sciences as part of the course of study necessary to obtain the associate 8 degree may allow any criminal justice course approved by the curriculum committee of the 9 community college to count as an eligible course for the social science cluster portion of the 10 associate degree.

(2) Criminal justice courses that are credited toward completion of an Associate of Arts
Transfer degree or an Associate of Science Transfer degree awarded from a community col lege must be accepted as general education courses by a public university listed in ORS
352.002.

15 (3) As used in this section:

(a) "Associate of Arts Transfer degree" means a lower-division, major-specific, under graduate award:

(A) That is issued by a community college to indicate satisfactory completion of a course
of study that is intended to prepare students for transfer to a public university listed in ORS
352.002 and to have third-year standing in a specific Bachelor of Arts degree program; and

(B) For which the classes, outcomes and completion standards for each major-specific
program have been defined by a statewide memorandum of understanding between partic ipating community colleges and public universities that has been approved by the Higher

24 Education Coordinating Commission and is published on the website of the commission.

25 (b) "Associate of Science Transfer degree" means a lower-division, major-specific,

1 undergraduate award:

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 $\mathbf{2}$ (A) That is issued by a community college to indicate satisfactory completion of a course 3 of study that is intended to prepare students for transfer to a public university listed in ORS 352.002 and to have third-year standing in a specific Bachelor of Science degree program; and 4 $\mathbf{5}$ (B) For which the classes, outcomes and completion standards for each major-specific 6 program have been defined by a statewide memorandum of understanding between partic-7ipating community colleges and public universities that has been approved by the commission 8 and is published on the website of the commission. 9 (4) The commission may enact rules necessary to implement this section.