

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 226**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “education” delete the rest of the line
2 and insert a period.

3 Delete lines 4 through 11 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) A community college and a public university listed**
5 **in ORS 352.002 may merge under the provisions of this section.**

6 **“(2) A community college and public university may jointly submit**
7 **a proposal to merge to the Higher Education Coordinating Commis-**
8 **sion. The proposal shall include:**

9 **“(a) The timeline for the merger;**

10 **“(b) A plan for the merger of administrative, legal, academic and**
11 **financial processes and procedures;**

12 **“(c) A plan for the transfer of employees, liabilities, duties, obli-**
13 **gations, records and property;**

14 **“(d) A plan to address the financial impact of the merger on the**
15 **community college district and public university and the financial**
16 **impact of the merger on other community college districts and public**
17 **universities;**

18 **“(e) A description of the combined budget of the merged community**
19 **college and public university;**

20 **“(f) A plan to address the effects of the merger on students;**

21 **“(g) A description of the academic programs to be offered at each**

1 **campus by the merged community college and public university;**

2 **“(h) A discussion of the benefits of the merger;**

3 **“(i) A list of any state statutes or agency rules that must be modi-**
4 **fied prior to the merger; and**

5 **“(j) Any other information required by the commission.**

6 **“(3) In addition to the requirements of subsection (2) of this section,**
7 **the proposal must include a plan for payment by the merged commu-**
8 **nity college and public university of any bonds that were issued by the**
9 **community college district on behalf of the community college or by**
10 **the public university.**

11 **“(4) A merger of a community college and public university must**
12 **be approved by the commission. If the commission approves the**
13 **merger proposal, the commission shall submit a report to the Legis-**
14 **lative Assembly at least 90 days prior to the effective date of the**
15 **merger. The report shall include the proposal for the merger and any**
16 **recommendations for statutory changes and budget changes that are**
17 **necessary because of the merger.**

18 **“(5) ORS 341.009 does not apply to a community college and a public**
19 **university that have merged under the provisions of this section.”.**

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