

I am a retired social studies teacher with the Bend-LaPine School District. My teaching speciality was Civics, called Modern Problems at that time in the early 1970s. The last ten years or so I have become aware of how uneducated our population, especially younger folks, is about how our society governs itself. I know students eyes glaze over when presented with "How a Bill Becomes Law", but there are many more issues surrounding governance that need to be learned by everyone. We can begin by a Civics requirement in schools. Our Democracy can only survive with an educated populace. Please pass SB513.