SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Legislative Administration Committee Civics Education

To:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	General Government Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Golden

On February 22, the General Government Subcommittee recommended acknowledging receipt of a report from the Legislative Administration Committee on civics education programs.

The budget report for HB 5016, the budget bill for the Legislative Branch agencies, included a budget note requesting the Chief Clerk of the House and the Secretary of the Senate to work with Visitor services in Legislative Administration on civics education programs that meet Oregon Department of Education curriculum standards.

Legislative Administration Visitor Services, the Oregon House of Representatives, and Oregon State Senate currently offer a variety of civics education and engagement programs and resources to the public and students. Onsite guided and virtual tours of the Oregon State Capitol are provided by Visitor Services and support lesson plans aligned with social study standards. The Senate and House both offer Honorary Page Programs for students to actively engage and learn about government. Several new civics programs are also in development, including a more in-depth page program and an Experiential Learning Program designed to ensure equitable access for Oregonians.

The General Government Subcommittee recommends approval.