

To: Senate Education Committee
From: Sen. Tim Knopp
Date: Tuesday, May 2, 2023
RE: Non-compliance with Article 4 Section 21 of the Oregon Constitution, Senate Rule 13.02, or ORS 171.134

Chair Dembrow and Vice-Chair Weber,

All of the bills in today's public hearing do not comply with Article 4 Section 21 of the Oregon Constitution, Senate Rule 13.02, or ORS 171.134. These bills need to comply with these provisions before moving forward

PUBLIC HEARING:

HB 3068 A

- **Catchline/Summary:** Provides that high school student in grade 11 or 12 may be awarded high school **equivalency** diploma if student has received certificate for passing approved high school equivalency test *such as General Educational Development (GED) test*] and meets other conditions.
- Catchline/Summary Flesch Reading Ease:
 - Reading Score: 14
 - o Reading Level: 21.3

HB 3204 A

- Catchline/Summary: Modifies timelines and requirements for when school district makes determination whether to give approval for student to enroll in virtual public charter school not sponsored by school district.] Directs Department of Education to collect and compile virtual public charter school enrollment data for purpose of school districts making determinations whether to give approval.] Establishes and modifies timelines related to enrollment of students in virtual public charter schools. Exempts from calculation of virtual public charter school cap certain students who had previously lived in another school district and been enrolled in virtual public charter school when living in that school district. Declares emergency, effective on passage.
- Catchline/Summary Flesch Reading Ease:
 - Reading Score: 24.8
 - Reading Level: 15

<u>HB 3435</u>

- **Catchline/Summary:** Renames "Oregon prekindergarten program" to "Oregon Prenatal to Kindergarten Program" to reflect changes in purpose of program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.
- Catchline/Summary Flesch Reading Ease:
 - Reading Score: 9.6
 - o Reading Level: 14.7

<u>HB 3564 A</u>

- Catchline/Summary: Increases number of members of Higher Education Coordinating Commission
 representing congressional districts from five to six and decreases number of members of commission
 representing general public from four to three. Changes state agency required to be notified when mass
 layoffs occur from Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to commission. Includes
 federally recognized tribes as eligible organizations for receiving grants under Oregon Conservation
 Corps Program. Expands ASPIRE programs to include career pathway options. Requires ASPIRE
 programs to work directly with community-based organizations and other entities with experience
 serving historically underserved communities. Permits programs to award grants or other support to
 these organizations and entities. Expands list of schools and entities included in definition of "diploma
 mill." Defines "post-secondary accrediting agency" to comply with current federal regulations
 recommending ending concept of regional accreditation. Expands tuition waiver for foster children to
 current or former foster children who are not authorized to fill out federal FAFSA form.
- Catchline/Summary Flesch Reading Ease:
 - Reading Score: 11.7
 - Reading Level: 15.9