

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 409

Ordered by the Senate April 3
Including Senate Amendments dated April 3

Sponsored by Senator THATCHER, Representative MORGAN; Senators SMITH DB, WEBER (Pre-session 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.

Prescribes information related to courses of study offered by school district that district school board must ensure is provided on school district's website.
Declares emergency, effective September 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the provision of information for courses of study offered by school districts; amending
3 ORS 336.035; and declaring an emergency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 336.035 is amended to read:

6 336.035. (1)(a) [*The*] **A** district school board shall [*see*] **ensure** that the courses of study pre-
7 scribed by law and by the rules of the State Board of Education are carried out.

8 (b) [*The*] **A** district school board may establish supplemental courses that are not inconsistent
9 with the prescribed courses and may adopt courses of study in lieu of state courses of study upon
10 approval by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

11 **(2) For courses of study offered by a school district, the district school board shall ensure**
12 **that the school district's website includes:**

13 (a) **A link to the webpage of the Department of Education that lists the textbooks and**
14 **other instructional materials adopted by the State Board of Education under ORS 337.050;**
15 **and**

16 (b) **A link to the webpage of the Department of Education that describes academic con-**
17 **tent standards for courses of study offered by the school district.**

18 [(2)] (3) Any district school board may establish a course of education concerning sexually
19 transmitted infections including recognition of causes, sources and symptoms, and the availability
20 of diagnostic and treatment centers. Any such course established may be taught to adults from the
21 community served by the individual schools as well as to students enrolled in the school. The board
22 shall cause the parents or guardians of minor students to be notified in advance that the course is
23 to be taught. Any such parent or guardian may direct in writing that the minor child in the care
24 of the parent or guardian be excused from any class within the course. Any parent or guardian may
25 inspect the instructional materials to be used before or during the time the course is taught.

26 [(3)] (4) The district school board shall coordinate the course provided in subsection [(2)] (3) of
27 this section with the officials of the local health department and the Superintendent of Public In-
28 struction. Teachers holding endorsements for health education shall be used where available. A

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
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1 teacher may not be subject to discipline or removal for teaching or refusing to teach courses con-
2 cerning sexually transmitted infections.

3 **SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
4 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect**
5 **September 1, 2023.**

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