

Senate Concurrent Resolution 9

Sponsored by Senator WAGNER, Representative FAHEY; Senators FREDERICK, GELSER BLOUIN, GOLDEN, JAMA, MANNING JR, MCLANE, NASH, PROZANSKI, WOODS, Representatives BOICE, FRAGALA, GAMBA, GOMBERG, GRAYBER, HELM, HUDSON, LEWIS, MCINTIRE, MCLAIN, NELSON, NGUYEN H, OWENS, SANCHEZ, VALDERRAMA (Presession 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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: Honors LCIS for 50 years of service to the State of Oregon. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.8).

Commends the Legislative Commission on Indian Services on its 50th anniversary.

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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2 Whereas in 1975, the Legislative Commission on Indian Services (LCIS) was created to advise
3 the Legislative Assembly and other state officials and agencies on the needs of American Indian
4 people in Oregon; and

5 Whereas prior to the establishment of LCIS, there was no suitable mechanism in Oregon's state
6 government to consider American Indian concerns directly; and

7 Whereas when it was established, LCIS was the first state commission of its kind in the nation:
8 a permanent forum for consideration of tribal-state government relations and consultation; and

9 Whereas LCIS is made up of 13 members who are nominated by local tribes and selected by the
10 Legislative Assembly, and it serves as a vital means of communication between state and tribal
11 governments to inform their respective decision-making processes; and

12 Whereas LCIS works closely with, and is composed of members representing, Oregon's nine
13 federally recognized tribes: the Burns Paiute Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua
14 and Siuslaw Indians, the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, the Confederated Tribes of Siletz In-
15 dians, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of Warm
16 Springs, the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, the Coquille Indian Tribe and the
17 Klamath Tribes; and

18 Whereas LCIS serves as the main forum in which American Indian concerns are considered, as
19 a conduit through which concerns are channeled through the network to the appropriate entity, as
20 a point of access for finding out about state government programs and Indian communities and as
21 a catalyst for bringing about change where change is needed; and

22 Whereas LCIS holds meetings to familiarize its members with current problems American Indi-
23 ans are facing and to discuss possible solutions, and often LCIS invites representatives of state or
24 federal agencies to discuss their programs as they affect the Indian population in Oregon; and

25 Whereas LCIS monitors legislation affecting American Indians, both while it is being considered
26 by the Legislative Assembly and after it becomes law, and it presents information to the Legislative
27 Assembly on issues of importance to Indians in Oregon; and

28 Whereas LCIS actively promotes intergovernmental cooperation and coordination as a means

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1 of enhancing the well-being of American Indians in Oregon; and

2 Whereas LCIS believes that one of the best ways to assist American Indians is to help them help
3 themselves; therefore, while LCIS will often take the lead in addressing needs and concerns, it will
4 also encourage Indians to find their own solutions; and

5 Whereas LCIS embodies the State of Oregon's commitment to recognize the existence of
6 Oregon's American Indian communities and their needs; and

7 Whereas in 2025, LCIS will mark its 50th year as a remarkable and groundbreaking public body
8 making essential contributions to the State of Oregon and to Oregon's nine federally recognized
9 tribes; now, therefore,

10 **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

11 That we, the members of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly, commemorate the 50th anni-
12 versary of the Legislative Commission on Indian Services and we congratulate LCIS on this signif-
13 icant public milestone of service, leadership and contributions to the State of Oregon.

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