

Senate Bill 262

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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**.

Directs school district to award high school diploma to student with disability who has completed individualized education program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to high school diplomas; amending ORS 329.451 and section 3, chapter 827, Oregon Laws
3 2005; repealing ORS 343.295; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 329.451 is amended to read:

6 329.451. (1) In order to receive a high school diploma from a school district, a student must meet
7 the requirements established by the State Board of Education and, while in grades 9 through 12,
8 must complete:

9 (a) At least 24 credit hours, as defined by rule of the board;

10 (b) Three years of mathematics; and

11 (c) Four years of English.

12 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a school district may award a diploma to a
13 student who does not meet the requirements of subsection (1)(b) or (c) of this section if the student:

14 (a) Has met or exceeded the academic content standards for mathematics or English established
15 by the board; or

16 (b) Displays proficiency in mathematics or English at a level established by the board.

17 (3) **Notwithstanding the requirements for a high school diploma established under sub-**
18 **section (1) of this section and by the State Board of Education and school districts under**
19 **ORS 329.447, a school district shall award a diploma to a student with a disability who has**
20 **successfully completed an individualized education program, as defined in ORS 343.035. A**
21 **school district may not indicate on the diploma that the student was educated as part of a**
22 **special education program.**

23 **SECTION 2.** Section 3, chapter 827, Oregon Laws 2005, is amended to read:

24 **Sec. 3. (1)** The requirements of [*section 1 of this 2005 Act*] **ORS 329.451 (1) and (2)** apply to
25 students who receive a high school diploma from a school district on or after July 1, 2009.

26 (2) **The requirements of ORS 329.451 (3) apply to students who receive a high school di-**
27 **ploma from a school district on or after July 1, 2007.**

28 **SECTION 3.** ORS 343.295 is repealed.

29 **SECTION 4.** **This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
30 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **July 1, 2007.**

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