

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 392

Ordered by the Senate February 13
Including Senate Amendments dated February 13

Sponsored by Senators DEVLIN, WALKER

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.

Lowers minimum age for required school attendance.

Directs State Board of Education to adopt rules ensuring that child beginning public school for first time be placed in grade level appropriate to child's cognitive development.

[Takes effect July 1, 2008.]

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to school attendance; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 339.010 and 339.020.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 339.010 is amended to read:

5 339.010. Except as provided in ORS 339.030, all children between the ages of [7] **6** and 18 years
6 who have not completed the 12th grade are required to attend regularly a public full-time school
7 of the school district in which the child resides.

8 **SECTION 2.** ORS 339.020 is amended to read:

9 339.020. Except as provided in ORS 339.030, every person having control of any child between
10 the ages of [7] **6** and 18 years who has not completed the 12th grade is required to send such child
11 to and maintain such child in regular attendance at a public full-time school during the entire school
12 term.

13 **SECTION 3.** The amendments to ORS 339.010 and 339.020 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2007
14 Act first apply to a child who is between the ages of 6 and 18 years at the beginning of the
15 2008-2009 school year of the school district in which the child resides.

16 **SECTION 4.** The State Board of Education shall adopt rules that ensure that a child who
17 is six years of age and beginning public school for the first time is placed in a grade level that
18 is appropriate for the child's cognitive development.

19 **SECTION 5.** The State Board of Education shall adopt the rules required by section 4 of
20 this 2007 Act prior to the beginning of the 2008-2009 school year.

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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.