

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3521

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “colleges” delete the rest of the line and line 3 and  
2 insert “; and declaring an emergency.”.

3 Delete lines 5 through 27 and delete pages 2 through 4 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 **“(a) ‘Associate transfer degree’ means an associate degree that is awarded by a commu-**  
6 **nity college and that is intended to allow a student to apply the credits earned for the degree**  
7 **towards a baccalaureate degree.**

8 **“(b) ‘Community college’ means a community college operated under ORS chapter 341.**

9 **“(c) ‘State institution of higher education’ means a state institution of higher education**  
10 **listed in ORS 352.002.**

11 **“(d) ‘Transfer program’ means a one-year program that is designed to allow a student**  
12 **to apply the credits earned through the program towards a baccalaureate degree.**

13 **“(2) The Joint Boards of Education shall develop standards related to the ability of stu-**  
14 **dents to apply credits earned through courses of study at community colleges to**  
15 **baccalaureate degrees awarded by state institutions of higher education. The standards shall**  
16 **be known as the ‘Transfer Student Bill of Rights and Responsibilities.’**

17 **“(3) The standards developed under this section may include:**

18 **“(a) Admission standards to state institutions of higher education for students who have**  
19 **earned an associate transfer degree.**

20 **“(b) The maximum number of credits that students who have earned an associate**  
21 **transfer degree would need to complete prior to receiving various types of baccalaureate**  
22 **degrees at state institutions of higher education.**

23 **“(c) The maximum number of credits that students who have completed a transfer pro-**  
24 **gram would need to complete prior to receiving various types of baccalaureate degrees at**  
25 **state institutions of higher education.**

26 **“(d) A process by which a community college would award an associate degree to a stu-**  
27 **dent upon completion of necessary credits, regardless of whether the student applied to re-**  
28 **ceive the degree or whether the student earned the credits for the degree at a community**  
29 **college or a state institution of higher education.**

30 **“(e) Any other issues identified by the Joint Boards of Education that relate to courses**  
31 **of study at community colleges and the ability of a student to transfer credits to a commu-**  
32 **nity college or a state institution of higher education, to be admitted to a state institution**  
33 **of higher education or to earn a degree at a community college or a state institution of**  
34 **higher education.**

35 **“(f) Requirements that students must meet in order to benefit from the standards de-**

1 scribed in paragraphs (a) to (e) of this subsection.

2 “(4) Each community college and state institution of higher education shall submit an-  
3 nual reports to the Joint Boards of Education related to:

4 “(a) The number of students who attend a community college and then a state institution  
5 of higher education, or a state institution of higher education and then a community college.

6 “(b) The number of students who attend one community college and then a different  
7 community college.

8 “(c) The number of students who transfer from a community college to a state institu-  
9 tion of higher education and who have an associate transfer degree or have completed a  
10 transfer program.

11 “(d) The average number of credits students have when they transfer from a community  
12 college to a state institution of higher education.

13 “(e) The average number of credits students have when they attend one community col-  
14 lege and then a different community college.

15 “(f) The average number of credits that a student earning an associate transfer degree  
16 completed at a community college.

17 “(g) The average number of credits students who have transferred from a community  
18 college to a state institution of higher education must earn prior to receiving a baccalaureate  
19 degree compared to the average number of credits students who did not transfer from a  
20 community college must earn prior to receiving a baccalaureate degree.

21 “SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:

22 “(a) ‘Associate transfer degree’ means an associate degree that is awarded by a commu-  
23 nity college and that is intended to allow a student to apply the credits earned for the degree  
24 towards a baccalaureate degree.

25 “(b) ‘Community college’ means a community college operated under ORS chapter 341.

26 “(c) ‘State institution of higher education’ means a state institution of higher education  
27 listed in ORS 352.002.

28 “(d) ‘Transfer program’ means a one-year program that is designed to allow a student  
29 to apply the credits earned through the program towards a baccalaureate degree.

30 “(2) The Joint Boards of Education shall submit to the interim legislative committees  
31 relating to education a report no later than November 1, 2012. The report required by this  
32 section shall include:

33 “(a) Information related to the standards developed as provided by section 1 of this 2011  
34 Act, including resources required to implement the standards by no later than the 2014-2015  
35 academic year.

36 “(b) A review of the requirements and standards of the associate transfer degree, and  
37 whether those requirements and standards need to be modified as a result of the standards  
38 developed as provided by section 1 of this 2011 Act.

39 “(c) The feasibility of and legal issues related to the development of a common data sys-  
40 tem that allows for the sharing of student information between community colleges and state  
41 institutions of higher education.

42 “(d) Any proposals for legislation that are needed to implement the standards described  
43 in section 1 of this 2011 Act or that are in response to any of the findings made by the Joint  
44 Boards of Education while preparing the report described in this subsection.

45 “(3) In preparation for providing the report described in subsection (2) of this section, the

1 **Joint Boards of Education shall provide reports to the interim legislative committees related**  
2 **to education at intervals determined by the committees.**

3 **“(4) The Oregon University System, the Department of Education and the Department**  
4 **of Community Colleges and Workforce Development shall provide staff support to the Joint**  
5 **Boards of Education for the purpose of preparing the reports required by this section.**

6 **“SECTION 3. This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
7 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect**  
8 **on its passage.”.**

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