

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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**Action:** Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules

**Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Beyer, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan, Hass

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/4, 4/18

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Provides that State Board of Education shall consist of 11 members appointed by Governor to represent kindergarten through grade 12, community colleges and institutions of higher education. Directs State Board of Education to appoint Superintendent of Public Instruction. Abolishes State Board of Higher Education and Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Transfers duties and powers of board and commission to State Board of Education. Takes effect only if Senate Joint Resolution 4 (2013) is approved by people at next regular general election. Takes effect July 1, 2015.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- History of education system, including creation of Oregon Education Investment Board (OEIB) in 2011
- “Wait and See” approach to creation of OEIB, other reforms; dissatisfaction with results to date
- Current lines of accountability “muddled”
- Example of a public corporation, where a Chief Executive Officer is directly responsible to a Board of Directors; Superintendent of Public Instruction responsible to, selected by State Board of Education
- Desire to have holistic, preschool through post-secondary education system

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Legislation enacted in 2011 implemented broad changes to the education landscape in state. These changes included statutorily assigning the Governor the position of Superintendent of Public Instruction, which formerly was an elected position separate and distinct from the position of Governor. Senate Bill 211 seeks to streamline the existing education system based on a P-20 approach, while simultaneously returning a greater measure of popular control.