

Enrolled Senate Bill 271

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to educator professional development; creating new provisions; amending ORS 329.824; repealing ORS 329.822; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) **The Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission is abolished. On the operative date of this section, the tenure of office of the members of the Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission ceases.**

(2) **All the duties, functions and powers of the Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission are imposed upon, transferred to and invested in the Department of Education.**

SECTION 2. (1) **The chairperson of the Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission shall deliver to the Superintendent of Public Instruction all records and property within the jurisdiction of the chairperson that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 1 of this 2013 Act.**

(2) **The superintendent shall take possession of the records and property transferred by the provisions of this section.**

SECTION 3. ORS 329.824 is amended to read:

329.824. (1) The Department of Education shall administer an educator professional development program that provides statewide collaborative leadership in educator professional development for prekindergarten through post-secondary education and that emphasizes school improvement. The department shall administer the program with a collaborative group of state, school district, educator, administrator, community college and higher education representatives operating as a unit.

[(1)(a)] (2)(a) [The Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission established under ORS 329.822] In administering the program described in subsection (1) of this section, the department shall:

(A) **Develop and maintain a public website for posting and sharing professional development opportunities.**

(B) **Assist local school districts in developing professional development plans to meet school improvement objectives.**

(C) **Develop and share state standards for professional development programs with appropriate persons.**

(D) Coordinate and align the delivery of professional development across the state for the purpose of creating a more uniform and accessible system of support for professional educators.

(E) Provide recommended evaluative tools for educators to determine the effectiveness of the delivery of professional development.

(b) The [commission] department is not restricted to performing the activities described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

[(2)] (3) The website developed and maintained under this section shall:

(a) Display a calendar of professional development programs being offered across the state and be categorized by topics.

(b) Post feedback from users of professional development programs, with an emphasis on identifying successes, challenges and lessons learned.

(c) Provide contact information for professional development programs.

(d) Publish professional development standards adopted by the State Board of Education and relevant national professional associations to ensure that professional development program offerings are aligned with quality standards that support best practices for access to and delivery of professional development.

SECTION 4. ORS 329.822 is repealed.

SECTION 5. (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this 2013 Act, the amendments to ORS 329.824 by section 3 of this 2013 Act and the repeal of ORS 329.822 by section 4 of this 2013 Act become operative on January 1, 2014.

(2) The Superintendent of Public Instruction may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the superintendent to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, the duties, functions and powers of the superintendent under the provisions of section 1 of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 6. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.

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