

# Senate Bill 1574

Sponsored by Senator CLOSE (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Modifies duties of Accelerated Learning Committee.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to accelerated learning; amending section 1, chapter 761, Oregon Laws 2013; and declaring  
3 an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Section 1, chapter 761, Oregon Laws 2013, is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 1.** (1) The Accelerated Learning Committee is established.

7 (2) The committee consists of the following seven members:

8 (a) The Chief Education Officer.

9 (b) Six members appointed as follows:

10 (A) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the Senate.

11 (B) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among mem-  
12 bers of the House of Representatives.

13 (C) The Governor shall appoint two members.

14 (3)(a) The committee shall:

15 (A) Examine methods to encourage and enable students to obtain college credits while still in  
16 high school[. *The committee shall*];

17 (B) Emphasize the alignment of funding, assessments and procedures between high schools and  
18 post-secondary institutions of higher education to encourage efficiencies and to make post-secondary  
19 education more affordable for families[.]; **and**

20 (C) **Examine accelerated education programs for career and technical education offered  
21 by community colleges to identify and modify models that:**

22 (i) **Are aligned with the economic needs of the area served by the community college;**

23 (ii) **Have adequate funding, which may include funding as strategic investments through  
24 programs designed and implemented by the Oregon Education Investment Board; and**

25 (iii) **Establish resources to provide technical assistance to community colleges offering  
26 the programs.**

27 (b) **For the purpose of fulfilling the duties described in paragraph (a) of this subsection,  
28 the committee shall consult with the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.**

29 (4) A majority of the members of the committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of  
30 business.

31 (5) Official action by the committee requires the approval of a majority of the members of the

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

2 (6) The committee shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

3 (7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to  
4 become immediately effective.

5 (8) The committee shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson or of  
6 a majority of the members of the committee.

7 (9) The committee may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the committee.

8 (10) The committee shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legislation, to  
9 the interim legislative committees on education no later than October 1, 2014.

10 (11) The Oregon Education Investment Board shall provide staff support to the committee.

11 (12) Notwithstanding ORS 171.072, members of the committee who are members of the Legisla-  
12 tive Assembly are not entitled to mileage expenses or a per diem and serve as volunteers on the  
13 committee. Other members of the committee are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for  
14 expenses and serve as volunteers on the committee.

15 (13) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the  
16 committee in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to  
17 confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the committee consider  
18 necessary to perform their duties.

19 **SECTION 2. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
20 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect**  
21 **on its passage.**

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