

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION,  
INNOVATION, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

February 19, 2016  
08:00 AM

Hearing Room D

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rep. Tobias Read, Chair  
Rep. Joe Gallegos, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Gene Whisnant, Vice-Chair  
Rep. Caddy McKeown  
Rep. Mike Nearman  
Rep. Jeff Reardon

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Rep. Cedric Hayden  
Rep. Val Hoyle  
Rep. Mark Johnson

**STAFF PRESENT:** Victoria Cox, Committee Administrator  
Corey Rosenberg, Committee Assistant

**EXHIBITS:** Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

**MEASURES/ISSUES:** SB 1558 A – Public Hearing & Work Session  
Informational Meeting  
STEM Investment Council Legislative Report  
SB 1540 A – Public Hearing & Work Session

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Recording Log – Recording started 07:31:47 AM

**00:00:08** Meeting Called to Order  
**00:00:09** Chair Read

**00:00:29** **SB 1558 A - Public Hearing**  
**00:00:30** Chair Read  
**00:00:31** Victoria Cox, Committee Administrator  
**00:01:20** Sen. Sara Gelser, Senate District 8  
**00:04:22** EXHIBIT 1: Witness Registration

**00:04:23** **SB 1558 A - Work Session**  
**00:04:24** Chair Read  
**00:04:25** Vice-Chair Whisnant  
**00:04:33** MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WHISNANT MOVES SB 1558 A DO PASS

**00:04:41** VOTE: 5-0-4  
AYES: MCKEOWN, REARDON, GALLEGOS, WHISNANT, READ  
EXCUSED: HAYDEN, HOYLE, JOHNSON, NEARMAN  
CARRIER: REP. LININGER WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOR

**00:05:12** **STEM Investment Council Legislative Report - Informational Meeting**  
**00:05:13** Chair Read  
**00:05:31** EXHIBIT 2-4: Lindsey Capps, Chief Education Officer (Acting), Chief Education Office

**00:11:16** **SB 1540 A - Public Hearing**  
**00:11:17** Chair Read  
**00:11:23** Victoria Cox, Committee Administrator  
**00:11:58** Sen. Mark Hass, Senate District 14  
**00:17:23** Vice-Chair Whisnant  
**00:18:16** Rep. McKeown  
**00:20:40** Hans Bernard, University of Oregon  
**00:21:33** EXHIBIT 5: Witness Registration

**00:21:34** **SB 1540 A - Work Session**  
**00:21:35** Chair Read  
**00:21:36** Vice-Chair Whisnant  
**00:21:40** MOTION: VICE-CHAIR WHISNANT MOVES SB 1540 A DO PASS  
**00:21:49** VOTE: 5-0-4  
AYES: MCKEOWN, REARDON, GALLEGOS, WHISNANT, READ  
EXCUSED: HAYDEN, HOYLE, JOHNSON, NEARMAN  
CARRIER: REP. JOHNSON WILL LEAD DISCUSSION ON THE FLOOR

**00:22:03** **STEM Investment Council Legislative Report - Informational Meeting**  
**00:22:04** Chair Read  
**00:22:33** Rep. Reardon  
**00:22:43** Lindsey Capps, Chief Education Officer (Acting), Chief Education Office  
**00:23:00** Jim Piro, Portland General Electric (PGE); Chair, STEM Investment Council  
**00:31:18** Mark Lewis, STEM Education Director, Chief Education Office  
**00:55:18** Vice-Chair Gallegos  
**00:57:18** Meeting Adjourned