

**HB 2219 -A4 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Education**

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**Meeting Dates:** 5/9, 5/16

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Encourages school districts and public charter schools to offer sufficient courses in civics to ensure those electing to receive instruction receive it. Takes effect July 1, 2018.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Importance of civics in education
- Change from requiring school districts implement civics courses to encouraging such implementation

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-A4 Resolves conflict with House Bill 2229. Requires that if House Bill 2229 is enacted, House Bill 2219 will take effect for the 2018-2019 school year.

**BACKGROUND:**

Oregon Administrative Rule 581-022-1130 require any graduating senior to have completed three credits of social sciences. Social sciences may include history, civics, geography or economics education.