Senate Bill 813

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires each governing board of public university to include one voting undergraduate student member and one voting graduate student member.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the composition of governing boards of public universities; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 352.076.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 352.076 is amended to read:

352.076. (1) A governing board for a public university must be formed and maintained as provided in this section.

- (2)(a) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, the Governor shall appoint all of the 11 to 15 members of the governing board, subject to confirmation by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565.
- (b) The governing board must include one person who is [a] an undergraduate student enrolled at the university and one person who is a graduate student enrolled at the university. The [student shall be a voting member] students appointed under this paragraph shall be voting members of the board.
- (c) The governing board must include one person who is a member of the faculty of the university and one person who is a member of the nonfaculty staff of the university. For each appointment made under this paragraph, the Governor may appoint the person as either a voting or nonvoting member of the governing board.
- (3) The president of the university shall be an ex officio nonvoting member of the governing board.
- (4)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the term of office for each appointed member of the governing board is four years.
- (b) The term of office of each **undergraduate** student, **graduate student**, faculty and nonfaculty staff member of the governing board is two years.
- (c) A member of the governing board may not be appointed to serve more than two consecutive full terms.
- (d) The Governor may remove any appointed member of the governing board at any time for cause, after notice and public hearing, but may not remove more than three members within a period of four years, unless it is for corrupt conduct in office.
 - (e) Vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the Governor for the remainder of the unexpired

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- (5) The faculty and nonfaculty staff members of the governing board may not participate in any discussions or action by the board or attend any executive session of the board involving collective bargaining issues that affect faculty or nonfaculty staff at the university.
- (6) The governing board shall select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson for such terms and with duties and powers as the board considers necessary for the performance of the functions of those offices. The governing board shall adopt bylaws concerning how a quorum is constituted and when a quorum is necessary.
- (7) The governing board shall meet at least once quarterly, and may meet at the call of the chairperson or a majority of the voting members of the board.
- SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 352.076 by section 1 of this 2017 Act become operative on October 1, 2018.
- SECTION 3. Notwithstanding the operative date set forth in section 2 of this 2017 Act, the Governor shall appoint the undergraduate and graduate student members of the governing board for each public university listed in ORS 352.002 before August 19, 2018, so that the appointees may be confirmed by the Senate in the manner provided in ORS 171.562 and 171.565 before September 30, 2018.