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Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (at the request of Representative Margaret Doherty)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2022

- On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert:
- **"SECTION 1.** ORS 336.851 is amended to read:
- 4 "336.851. (1) [There is created the Oregon Virtual School District] **The**
- 5 Oregon Digital Learning Academy is created within the Department of
- 6 Education. [The purpose of the Oregon Virtual School District is to provide]
- 7 The purposes of the Oregon Digital Learning Academy are to provide:
- 8 "(a) Online courses to kindergarten through grade 12 public school stu-
- 9 dents; and
- 10 "(b) Professional development related to online learning to 11 kindergarten through grade 12 public school teachers.
- "(2)(a) The [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning

 Academy shall provide online courses to students that meet academic
- content standards as defined in ORS 329.007 and that meet other criteria
- adopted by the State Board of Education. Any person who teaches an online
- course **to students** must be properly licensed as required by ORS 342.173 for
- a person employed by a school district or education service district or prop-
- erly registered as required by ORS 338.135 for a person employed by a public
- 19 charter school. All school districts and public charter schools may allow
- 20 students to access the online courses offered [by the Oregon Virtual School
- 21 District] to students by the Oregon Digital Learning Academy.

- "(b) The Oregon Digital Learning Academy shall provide professional development to support school districts that provide online learning, including professional development that will help school districts to identify and support students who would benefit from online learning opportunities.
- 6 "(3) The Superintendent of Public Instruction may contract with:
- "(a) Education service districts, school districts, public charter schools, school community colleges, public universities listed in ORS 352.002 or any other public entity to provide online courses [through the Oregon Virtual School District] to students through the Oregon Digital Learning Academy.
 - "(b) Any public or private entity to provide professional development through the Oregon Digital Learning Academy.
 - "(4) Statutes and rules that apply to other school districts do not apply to the [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy except as provided under this section or by rule of the State Board of Education. The [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy is not considered a school district for purposes of apportionment of the State School Fund and the department may not receive a direct apportionment under ORS 327.008 from the State School Fund for the [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy.
 - "(5) The board may adopt the rules necessary for the administration of the [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy and shall adopt rules to establish:
 - "(a) The procedure and criteria to be used for the selection of online courses to be offered [through the Oregon Virtual School District] to students through the Oregon Digital Learning Academy;
 - "(b) The qualifications of students who may access online courses through the [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy;
- "(c) The number of credits for which students may access online courses through the [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning

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- 1 **Academy**; and
- 2 "(d) The student-to-teacher ratio for online courses offered through the
- 3 [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy.
- 4 **"SECTION 2.** ORS 336.856 is amended to read:
- 5 "336.856. (1) The [Oregon Virtual School District Fund] Oregon Digital
- 6 Learning Academy Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and
- 7 distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the [Oregon Virtual
- 8 School District Fund] Oregon Digital Learning Academy Fund shall be
- 9 credited to the fund. All moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated
- to the Department of Education for the administration of the [Oregon Virtual
- 11 School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy created under ORS
- 12 336.851.
- "(2) Any moneys received by the department for the purpose of the
- 14 [Oregon Virtual School District] Oregon Digital Learning Academy shall
- be deposited in the fund.
- "SECTION 3. (1) The amendments to ORS 336.851 by section 1 of this
- 17 2019 Act are intended to change the name of the 'Oregon Virtual
- 18 School District' to the 'Oregon Digital Learning Academy.'
- 19 "(2) For the purpose of harmonizing and clarifying statutory law,
- 20 the Legislative Counsel may substitute for words designating the
- 'Oregon Virtual School District,' wherever they occur in statutory law,
- other words designating the 'Oregon Digital Learning Academy.".

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