HB 4203-5 (LC 83) 6/25/20 (SCT/ps)

Requested by JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE FIRST SPECIAL SESSION OF 2020 (at the request of the People of Color Caucus)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4203

- On page 1 of the printed bill, after line 3, insert:
- 2 "Whereas Black Lives Matter; and
- Whereas the lives of Kendra James, Jason Washington, Andre Gladen,
- 4 Patrick Kimmons, Chase Arnae Peeples, Terrell Kyreem Johnson, Quanice
- 5 Derrick Hayes, Denorris Laron McClendon and Darris Eugene Johnson
- 6 mattered; and
- Whereas George Floyd's last words were, 'I can't breathe'; and
- 8 "Whereas Eric Garner's last words were, 'I can't breathe'; and
- 9 "Whereas choke holds have led to deaths in several high-profile cases, and
- presumably in more cases than we will ever know; and
- "Whereas 'I can't breathe' chants are shouted in the streets throughout
- Oregon to draw attention to the incalculable consequences of police brutality
- and disproportionate policing; and
- "Whereas there have been at least 268 deadly force incidents in Oregon
- over the past 10 years; and
- "Whereas 12 of the 55 Portland shootings or deaths were of Black people,
- or 22 percent of the victims in a city that is six percent Black; and
- 18 "Whereas the Oregon Justice Resource Center found that the Portland
- 19 Police Bureau is more likely to search and arrest Black people, with over
- 20 17 percent of the bureau's traffic and pedestrian stops involving Black peo-
- 21 ple; and

"Whereas choke holds or other restraint to the head, neck or back inter-1 feres with a person's blood flow or ability to breathe, which can cause 2 asphyxiation and death; now, therefore,".

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