House Bill 2587

Sponsored by Representative ALONSO LEON (Presession filed.)

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 school director candidates to publicly disclose organizations with which candidates are affiliated.

Requires directors to receive training on cultural competency and diversity within 90 days of first assuming office.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to school board director requirements; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 332.005 and 332.118.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 332.118 is amended to read:

ORS 332.118. (1) Except as provided in ORS 255.400 to 255.424:

[(1)] (a) Unless specifically provided otherwise, ORS chapter 255 governs the following:

[(a)] (A) The nomination and election of school directors.

[(b)] (B) The conduct of all school district elections.

[(2)] (b) ORS 249.865 to 249.877 govern the recall of school board members.

[(3)] (c) The Secretary of State has supervising authority over all elections conducted by school districts and over elections conducted by a district boundary board.

[(4)] (d) A petition for a proposed change or merger under ORS 330.095, a remonstrance petition under ORS 330.101, a petition for zoning under ORS 332.128 or a petition to lengthen the course of study under ORS 335.495 may not be circulated for signatures until the prospective petition has been filed with the county clerk. The prospective petition must designate the names and residence addresses of not more than three persons as chief petitioner. The authority of the Secretary of State and the application of the election laws commence when the prospective petition is filed with the county clerk. The filing of the prospective petition is to be treated like a prospective petition for an initiative, referendum or recall. Except as otherwise provided in ORS 330.080 to 330.113, ORS chapter 255 applies to the procedures applicable to petitions described in this subsection and the elections held on the petitions.

(2) A candidate for school director must publicly disclose any organizations with which the candidate is affiliated.

SECTION 2. ORS 332.005 is amended to read:

ORS 332.005. (1) The directors of a school district in their official capacity shall be known as the district school board.

(2) Directors must qualify by taking an oath of office before assuming the duties of office.

(3) Directors must receive training on cultural competency and diversity within 90 days of assuming the duties of office.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter in italic and bracketed is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 332.005 by section 2 of this 2021 Act first apply to district school board members assuming office on or after the effective date of this 2021 Act.