

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 273

By COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

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1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, delete lines 13 through 15 and insert:

2 “(i) If applicable, nominated through an internal governance process held by the official student
3 government, or similar graduate student governance structure or graduate student union, with the
4 candidate nominated provided to the Governor for consideration; and”.

5 On page 3, delete lines 26 through 45.

6 On page 4, delete lines 1 through 28 and insert:

7 **“SECTION 3. The governing board of each public university listed in ORS 352.002 shall**
8 **formally adopt policies that:**

9 **“(1) Provide the opportunity at all regularly scheduled meetings of the governing board**
10 **for live comments;**

11 **“(2) Allow a representative from official student, faculty and nonfaculty staff governance**
12 **organizations to provide comments or report to the governing board at regularly scheduled**
13 **meetings of the governing board;**

14 **“(3) Allow a representative from official campus labor organizations to provide comments**
15 **or report to the governing board at regularly scheduled meetings of the governing board, if**
16 **the representative has requested the opportunity to provide comments or report to the board**
17 **in advance of the meeting;**

18 **“(4) Require the inclusion of at least one faculty member, one nonfaculty staff member**
19 **and one member of the student body as part of presidential search committees;**

20 **“(5) Ensure that all members of the governing board are provided with institutional**
21 **electronic mail addresses;**

22 **“(6) Require the public university to clearly and publicly post the electronic mail ad-**
23 **resses described in subsection (5) of this section on the website of the public university;**

24 **“(7) Require ongoing reviews of the practices and policies of the public university relating**
25 **to transparency and access;**

26 **“(8) Require the inclusion and participation of faculty, nonfaculty staff and student rep-**
27 **resentatives when conducting the reviews described in subsection (7) of this section;**

28 **“(9) Require that the governing board, or the designee of the governing board, respond**
29 **to questions that arise from public comments at meetings of the governing board;**

30 **“(10) Memorialize the process for filling appointments to the governing board;**

31 **“(11) Require that when a vacancy on the governing board is expected:**

32 **“(a) At a public meeting, the governing board will assess the needs of the board and**
33 **identify the ideal characteristics of any individual chosen to fill the vacancy, including but**
34 **not limited to preferred skill sets, experience or geographic representation;**

35 **“(b) The governing board will invite members of the public university community to**

1 submit recommendations about the ideal characteristics described in paragraph (a) of this
2 subsection to the board; and

3 “(c) That when the governing board notifies the Governor that there will be a vacancy
4 on the board, the board also communicates to the Governor the ideal characteristics identi-
5 fied in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection; and

6 “(12) Require the governing board to:

7 “(a) Regularly conduct a self-evaluation; and

8 “(b) At each self-evaluation, provide an opportunity for the university community to
9 provide written input or public testimony evaluating the work of the board.

10 “SECTION 4. (1) No later than July 2 of each year, each public university listed in ORS
11 352.002 shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 to the interim commit-
12 tees of the Legislative Assembly related to higher education, detailing the degree to which
13 the public university has complied with:

14 “(a) Drafting the formal policies described in section 3 of this 2023 Act; and

15 “(b) Fulfilling the obligations contained in the policies described in section 3 of this 2023
16 Act.

17 “(2) The report prepared under subsection (1) of this section must include input from
18 representatives of official student, faculty and nonfaculty staff governance organizations.

19 “SECTION 5. Section 4 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2026.”.

20 In line 29, delete “4” and insert “6”.

21 In line 39, delete “5” and insert “7”.

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