SUMMARY

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Aligns implementation date of academic content standards for Holocaust and genocide studies with implementation date of academic content standards for ethnic studies.

Directs Department of Education to provide professional development to ensure that school districts are able to offer instruction that meets academic content standards related to Holocaust, genocide and ethnic studies.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the implementation of new academic content standards; creating new provisions; amending section 5, chapter 202, Oregon Laws 2019, and sections 5 and 7, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Section 5, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 5. (1) The amendments to [section 2 of this 2019 Act] ORS 329.494 by section 4 [of this 2019 Act], chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, become operative on [September 1, 2025] September 30, 2026.

(2) The amendments to [section 2 of this 2019 Act] ORS 329.494 by section 4 [of this 2019 Act], chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, first apply to the [2025-2026] 2026-2027 school year.

(3) (a) A school district must first offer instruction that meets the academic content standards of ORS 329.494 (1), as amended by section 4, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, no later than the 2026-2027 school year.

(b) Nothing in paragraph (a) of this subsection prevents a school district from first offering instruction that meets the academic content standards of ORS 329.494 (1), as amended by section 4, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, at any time from the beginning of the social sciences instructional materials cycle adopted by the State Board of Education until the school year set forth in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

SECTION 2. Section 7, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 7. The amendments to ORS 329.007 by section 6 [of this 2019 Act], chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, become operative on [September 1, 2025] September 30, 2026.

SECTION 3. Section 5, chapter 202, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 5. (1) [During the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years,] The Department of Education shall provide professional development to teachers and administrators relating to:

(a) Academic content standards developed pursuant to ORS 329.494 (1), as amended by
section 4, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, to ensure that school districts are able to offer
instruction that meets the academic content standards of ORS 329.494 (1), as amended by
section 4, chapter 253, Oregon Laws 2019, no later than the 2026-2027 school year.

(b) Academic content standards adopted pursuant to ORS 329.045 (1)(b)(B), as amended by sec-
section 1 [of this 2019 Act], chapter 202, Oregon Laws 2019, and to the selection of textbooks under
ORS 337.260, as amended by section 3 [of this 2019 Act], chapter 202, Oregon Laws 2019, to ensure
that school districts are able to offer instruction that meets the academic content standards
of ORS 329.045 (1)(b)(B), as amended by section 1, chapter 202, Oregon Laws 2019, no later
than the 2026-2027 school year.

(2) The department may contract for the provision of professional development required by this
section.

(3) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules that establish standards and any other
criteria for the professional development required under this section.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation
made to the Department of Education by section 1 (1), chapter ____, Oregon Laws 2023
(Enrolled House Bill 5014), for operations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, is increased
by $517,466 to implement the provisions of this 2023 Act.

SECTION 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation
made to the Department of Education by section 2 (2), chapter ____, Oregon Laws 2023
(Enrolled House Bill 5014), for other K-12 grant-in-aid programs for the biennium beginning
July 1, 2023, is increased by $2,250,000 to implement the provisions of this 2023 Act.

SECTION 6. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect
July 1, 2023.

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