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Requested by Senator WEBER

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1583

On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 28 and delete pages 2 2 and 3 and insert:

"SECTION 1. ORS 337.260, as amended by section 3, chapter 202, Oregon 3 Laws 2019, and section 2, chapter 328, Oregon Laws 2023, is amended to read: 4 "337.260. (1) Every district school board, the State Board of Education 5 and every committee or [officer] administrator responsible for the adoption 6 of textbooks and other instructional materials for use in the public schools 7 shall adopt textbooks and other instructional materials on American history 8 and government that adequately stress the services rendered by those who 9 achieved our national independence, who established our form of constitu-10 tional government and who preserved our federal union. Textbooks and 11 other instructional materials shall adequately address the roles in and con-12 tributions to the economic, political and social development of Oregon and 13 the United States by men and women who: 14

15 "((1)) (a) Are Native American;

"[(2)] (b) Are of European, African, Asian, Pacific Island, Chicano,
Latino, Middle Eastern or Jewish descent;

18 "[(3)] (c) Have disabilities;

19 "[(4)] (d) Are immigrants or refugees; or

20 "[(5)] (e) Are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender.

²¹ "(2)(a) To comply with the prohibition on discrimination required

by ORS 659.850, a district school board or a committee or an administrator responsible for the adoption of textbooks or other instructional materials under this section may not prohibit the use of, or refuse to approve the use of, textbooks or instructional materials on the basis that the textbooks or instructional materials include a study of the roles and contributions of any individual or group identified in subsection (1) of this section.

"(b) Nothing in paragraph (a) of this subsection requires a district
school board, a committee or an administrator to adopt textbooks or
other instructional materials that are not developmentally and age
appropriate.

¹² "<u>SECTION 2.</u> ORS 337.120 is amended to read:

"337.120. (1)(a) A district school board, with the assistance of teachers and administrators of the district, shall adopt a list of textbooks and other instructional materials for each grade and subject for which instruction is provided by the school district.

"(b) When adopting a list of textbooks and other instructional materials,
the district school board:

"(A) Shall consider whether the textbooks and other instructional materials are available through online resources that enable students with print disabilities to receive the textbooks and instructional materials free of charge.

"(B) To comply with the prohibition on discrimination required by 23ORS 659.850, may not prohibit the use of, or refuse to approve the use 24of, textbooks and instructional materials on the basis that the text-25books or instructional materials include a study of the roles and con-26tributions of any individual or group against whom discrimination is 27prohibited under ORS 659.850. Nothing in this subparagraph requires 28a district school board to adopt textbooks or other instructional ma-29 terials that are not developmentally and age appropriate. 30

"(c) The district school board shall adopt the list in compliance with ORS
337.141 and shall involve parents and citizens in the process.

"(2) The district school board shall cause the textbooks or other instructional materials, according to titles, that are included on the list adopted under subsection (1) of this section to be used in its schools at the beginning of the next school year following the state adoption under ORS 337.141, except when, pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education, the district school board is authorized by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to postpone use for a reasonable period of time.

"(3) District school boards shall establish a process and timeline for regularly determining whether textbooks and instructional materials on the list adopted under subsection (1) of this section are available through online resources that enable students with print disabilities to receive textbooks and instructional materials free of charge.

¹⁵ "SECTION 3. ORS 336.082 is amended to read:

"336.082. (1) The State Board of Education shall encourage the develop ment and implementation of curriculum for public elementary and secondary
 schools in Oregon that will improve instructional effectiveness or efficiency
 and that does not [discriminate] include discrimination.

"(2) The State Board of Education shall stimulate the development of nondiscriminatory courses of study or parts of courses to improve instructional effectiveness or efficiency in public elementary and secondary schools in Oregon. The board may direct the Department of Education or contract with appropriate public educational agencies to develop program materials and to establish a mechanism for the purpose of introducing the materials and implementing the techniques.

²⁷ "[(3) As used in subsection (1) of this section, 'discriminate' has the mean-²⁸ ing given 'discrimination' in ORS 659.850.]

"(3)(a) To comply with the prohibition on discrimination required
by ORS 659.850, a district school board or any person responsible for

the development or implementation of curriculum in a public elementary or secondary school in Oregon may not prohibit the use of, or refuse to approve the use of, program materials on the basis that the program materials include a study of the roles and contributions of any individual or group against whom discrimination is prohibited.

6 "(b) Nothing in paragraph (a) of this subsection requires a district 7 school board or any person responsible for the development or imple-8 mentation of curriculum in a public elementary or secondary school 9 in Oregon to adopt program materials that are not developmentally 10 and age appropriate.

"(4) As used in this section, 'discrimination' has the meaning given
 that term in ORS 659.850.

"SECTION 4. (1) To comply with the prohibition on discrimination 13 required by ORS 659.850, a district school board or any person respon-14 sible for the selection or retention of books in the library of a public 15elementary or secondary school of this state may not prohibit the se-16 lection or retention of, or refuse to select or retain, a library book on 17 the basis that the library book includes a study or story of any indi-18 vidual or group against whom discrimination is prohibited under ORS 19 659.850. 20

"(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section requires a district school board or any person responsible for the selection or retention of books in the library of a public elementary or secondary school of this state to adopt library books that are not developmentally and age appropriate.

"<u>SECTION 5.</u> This 2024 Act being necessary for the immediate
 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
 declared to exist, and this 2024 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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