

HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

October 1, 2025
08:30 AM

Hearing Room C

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Zach Hudson, Chair
Rep. April Dobson, Vice-Chair
Rep. Emily McIntire, Vice-Chair
Rep. Sarah Finger McDonald
Rep. Lisa Fragala
Rep. Darin Harbick
Rep. Sue Rieke Smith
Rep. Boomer Wright

STAFF PRESENT: Lisa Gezelter, LPRO Analyst
Ellen O'Brien, LPRO Analyst
Chris Bechtel, LPRO Fellow
Jacob Kashlak, Committee Assistant

EXHIBITS: Exhibits from this meeting are available [here](#)

MEASURES/ISSUES: Adoption of Committee Rules – Organizational Meeting
Impacts of HR 1 on Education in Oregon – Informational Meeting
State Attainment Goal – Informational Meeting

00:00:05 Meeting Called to Order
00:00:06 Chair Hudson

00:00:58 **Adoption of Committee Rules - Organizational Meeting**
00:00:59 Chair Hudson
00:01:03 MOTION: VICE-CHAIR DOBSON MOVES ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE RULES
00:01:22 VOTE: 8-0-0
AYE: FINGER MCDONALD, FRAGALA, HARBICK, RIEKE SMITH, WRIGHT, DOBSON, MCINTIRE, HUDSON

00:02:02 **Impacts of HR 1 on Education in Oregon - Informational Meeting**
00:02:03 Chair Hudson
00:02:49 Emily Katz, Associate Legislative Director, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL)
00:15:35 Autumn Rivera, Senior Policy Specialist, NCSL
00:18:53 Andrew Smalley, Senior Policy Specialist, NCSL
00:21:05 Vice-Chair McIntire
00:23:56 Rep. McDonald
00:27:59 Rep. Rieke Smith

00:31:03 Rep. Fragala
00:36:46 Jesse O'Brien, Policy Manager, Division of Financial Regulation,
Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS)
00:40:15 Lane Thompson, Student Loan Ombuds, Division of Financial Regulation,
Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS)
00:52:20 Jennifer Bell, Director of Financial Aid, Portland State University
01:15:59 Peter Goss, Director, Financial Aid and Veterans Benefits, Portland
Community College
01:23:00 Tenneal Wetherell, Deputy Director of Operations, Oregon Department of
Education
01:32:21 Rusha Grinstead, Medicaid Policy and Program Manager-Children and
Families, Oregon Health Authority
01:37:27 Vice-Chair Dobson
01:38:52 Jessica Amaya Hoffman, Deputy Director for Self Sufficiency, Oregon
Department of Human Services
01:47:34 Emily McLain, Director of Public Affairs, Oregon Education Association
01:51:55 Stacy Michaelson, Oregon School Boards Association
01:56:52 Morgan Allen, Coalition of Oregon School Administrators

02:02:42 **State Attainment Goal - Informational Meeting**
02:02:43 Chair Hudson
02:02:59 Ben Cannon, Executive Director, Higher Education Coordinating
Commission (HECC)
02:06:08 Rep. McDonald
02:13:49 Rep. Rieke Smith
02:15:46 Skip Newberry, President/CEO, Technology Association of Oregon;
member, Workforce and Talent Development Board
02:19:09 Ariana Jacob, President, American Federation of Teachers-Oregon
02:23:05 Vice-Chair McIntire
02:23:36 Meeting Adjourned