

# Senate Joint Resolution 25

Sponsored by Senator BONHAM (at the request of Senator Noah Robinson) (Pre-session 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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The measure would make the legislature pass the schools budget early in each long session. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.5).

Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to require the Legislative Assembly, in each odd-numbered year regular session, to appropriate moneys to fund public education in the first 80 days of the session and before passing any other budget measure.

Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

## JOINT RESOLUTION

**Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

**PARAGRAPH 1.** The Constitution of the State of Oregon is amended by creating a new section 35 to be added to and made a part of Article IV, such section to read:

**SECTION 35. (1) Within the first 80 days after the commencement of each odd-numbered year regular session, the Legislative Assembly must pass one or more measures to appropriate moneys sufficient to pay for adequate public education, during the biennium beginning July 1 of the year in which the session is held, for students in kindergarten through grade 12.**

**(2) Until the measure or measures described in subsection (1) of this section are passed, the Legislative Assembly may not pass any other budget measure.**

**(3) As used in this section, "budget measure" means a measure that appropriates moneys or imposes a limitation on expenditures of continuously appropriated moneys and that is prohibited from containing provisions on other subjects under section 7, Article IX of this Constitution.**

**PARAGRAPH 2.** The amendment proposed by this resolution shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.

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