

SB 1538-A8  
(LC 218)  
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Requested by Senator BROADMAN

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 1538**

1       On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 3, after “340.005” insert “,  
2   341.415, 341.420”.

3       On page 8, after line 39, insert:

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5                   **“COMMUNITY COLLEGE NAMES**

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7       **“SECTION 9.** ORS 341.415 is amended to read:

8       “341.415. (1) The official name of every community college shall include  
9   the words ‘community college.’

10      **“(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the board of  
11   education of a community college district may adopt a resolution for  
12   an official name that does not include the words ‘community college’  
13   if the name had been used as an official name by the community col-  
14   lege prior to January 1, 1970.**

15      **“SECTION 10.** ORS 341.420 is amended to read:

16      “341.420. (1)(a) [Subject to the requirements of subsection (2) of this  
17   section,] The name of any community college district or community college  
18   may be changed by resolution of the district board of education **as provided  
19   by this section.**

20      **“(2)(a) Except for names that are changed as provided by ORS  
21   341.415 (2),** the district board shall submit [*the*] a proposed name change to

1 the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for [its] approval or disap-  
2 proval **by the commission**. If the proposed name change is approved by the  
3 commission, [it] **the proposed name change** shall be submitted to a public  
4 hearing in the district. If the commission disapproves the proposed name  
5 change, the district board may rescind [its] **the** resolution or [revise it] **may**  
6 **revise the resolution** to reflect a different name [which] **that** must be sub-  
7 mitted to the commission for [its] approval or disapproval **by the commis-**  
8 **sion.**

9       “(b) If the proposed name **change** is approved by the commission, notice  
10 of the hearing shall be given as provided in ORS 341.357. The proposed **name**  
11 **change** shall take effect 21 days after the final adjournment of the public  
12 hearing unless a remonstrance is filed under [*subsection (2) of this section*]  
13 **paragraph (c) of this subsection.**

14       “[(2)] **(c)** If a remonstrance to the proposed name change is filed with the  
15 district board within 20 days after the final adjournment of the public hear-  
16 ing under [*subsection (1) of this section*] **paragraphs (a) and (b) of this**  
17 **subsection**, the district board must submit the question of the proposed  
18 name change to the electors of the district unless the board rescinds [its] **the**  
19 resolution. The remonstrance must be signed by at least five percent or at  
20 least 50, whichever is less, of the electors of the district. The proposed name  
21 change shall be submitted to the electors at the regular school election next  
22 following adoption of the resolution.

23       “[(3)] **(d)** If the majority of votes cast at the election favor the **proposed**  
24 **name change**, [it] **the name change** shall take effect upon the canvass and  
25 return of the vote. If the majority of votes cast oppose the change, [it] **the**  
26 **name change** shall not take effect.

27       “**(3) For names that are changed as provided by ORS 341.415 (2), the**  
28 **district board is not required to comply with any of the requirements**  
29 **prescribed by subsection (2) of this section. A community college for**  
30 **which the name is changed as provided by ORS 341.415 (2) shall con-**

1   **tinue to be considered a community college and shall be subject to the**  
2   **laws applicable to community colleges even if the official name does**  
3   **not include the words ‘community college.’”.**

4   In line 43, delete “9” and insert “11”.

5   On page 9, line 1, delete “10” and insert “12”.

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