

**B-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 443**

Ordered by the Senate June 26  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 23 and June 26

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT

**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.

Establishes [*Education Enterprise Steering*] **Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission** for purpose of providing statewide leadership in school improvement and technology. Requires commission to develop and maintain public website, [*to coordinate professional development for school improvement and to coordinate information and educational technology*] **and to assist local school districts in developing professional development plans to meet school improvement objectives.**

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Education for commission.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2009.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to commission for providing school improvement services; appropriating money; and de-  
3 claring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission is estab-**  
6 **lished within the Department of Education for the purpose of providing statewide**  
7 **collaborative leadership for prekindergarten through post-secondary education in the areas**  
8 **of school improvement.**

9 **(2) The commission consists of 16 members appointed as follows:**

10 **(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member of the Senate.**

11 **(b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member of the House**  
12 **of Representatives.**

13 **(c) The Governor shall appoint 14 members as follows:**

14 **(A) Two members who represent education service districts.**

15 **(B) One member who represents the Department of Education.**

16 **(C) One member who represents a community college.**

17 **(D) One member who represents a public institution of higher education.**

18 **(E) One member who represents a not-for-profit private institution of higher education.**

19 **(F) One member who represents the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.**

20 **(G) One member who represents the Governor's office.**

21 **(H) Six members who represent public schools for kindergarten through grade 12, in-**  
22 **cluding:**

23 **(i) One superintendent of a school district.**

24 **(ii) Two principals of schools.**

25 **(iii) Two teachers licensed or certified by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commis-**

**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.

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2 (iv) One classified employee of a school.

3 (3) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the commission are nonvoting  
4 members of the commission and may act in an advisory capacity only.

5 (4)(a) The term of office of each member of the commission is three years, but a member  
6 serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority.

7 (b) Before the expiration of the term of a member, the appointing authority shall appoint  
8 a successor.

9 (c) A member is eligible for reappointment.

10 (d) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-  
11 ment to become immediately effective for the unexpired term.

12 (5) Members of the commission who are members of the Legislative Assembly are enti-  
13 tled to mileage expenses and a per diem as provided by ORS 171.072. Other members of the  
14 commission are not entitled to compensation but a member may be reimbursed for actual  
15 and necessary travel and other expenses incurred by the member in the performance of the  
16 member's official duties in the manner and amount provided in ORS 292.495.

17 (6) The commission shall select from among its members a chairperson, vice chairperson  
18 and secretary, for such terms and with such duties and powers necessary for the perform-  
19 ance of the functions of the offices.

20 (7) A majority of the voting members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the  
21 transaction of business.

22 (8) Official action by the commission requires the approval of a majority of the voting  
23 members of the commission.

24 (9) The commission shall meet at least once each calendar quarter at a place, day and  
25 hour determined by the commission. The commission may also meet at other times and  
26 places specified by the call of the chairperson.

27 (10) The Department of Education may accept, on behalf of the commission, contribu-  
28 tions of moneys and assistance from the United States Government or its agencies or from  
29 any other source, public or private, and agree to conditions placed on the moneys not in-  
30 consistent with the duties of the commission.

31 (11) All moneys received by the department under subsection (10) of this section shall be  
32 paid into the Department of Education Account established in ORS 326.115 to the credit of  
33 the commission. The moneys are continuously appropriated to the commission for the pur-  
34 poses of carrying out the duties of the commission.

35 (12) The Department of Education shall solicit and award a public contract for services  
36 provided by the commission, including the maintenance of the public website and the pro-  
37 vision of assistance to local school districts. A contract may be procured only as provided  
38 by ORS 279B.060 and may not be procured as a sole-source procurement under ORS 279B.075,  
39 an emergency procurement under ORS 279B.080 or a special procurement under ORS  
40 279B.085.

41 **SECTION 2.** Notwithstanding the term of office specified by section 1 of this 2009 Act,  
42 of the members first appointed to the Oregon Educator Professional Development Commis-  
43 sion:

44 (1) Five shall serve for terms ending January 1, 2011.

45 (2) Five shall serve for terms ending January 1, 2012.

1           **(3) Six shall serve for terms ending January 1, 2013.**

2           **SECTION 3. (1)(a) The Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission estab-**  
3 **lished under section 1 of this 2009 Act shall:**

4           **(A) Develop and maintain a public website for posting and sharing professional develop-**  
5 **ment opportunities.**

6           **(B) Assist local school districts in developing professional development plans to meet**  
7 **school improvement objectives.**

8           **(b) The commission is not restricted to performing the activities described in paragraph**  
9 **(a) of this subsection.**

10          **(2) The website developed and maintained under this section shall:**

11          **(a) Display a calendar of professional development programs being offered across the**  
12 **state and be categorized by topics.**

13          **(b) Post feedback from users of professional development programs, with an emphasis**  
14 **on identifying successes, challenges and lessons learned.**

15          **(c) Provide contact information for professional development programs.**

16          **(d) Publish professional development standards adopted by the State Board of Education**  
17 **and relevant national professional associations to ensure that professional development pro-**  
18 **gram offerings are aligned with quality standards that support best practices for access to**  
19 **and delivery of professional development.**

20          **SECTION 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium**  
21 **beginning July 1, 2009, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$130,000 to be used to carry**  
22 **out the purposes of the Oregon Educator Professional Development Commission as described**  
23 **in sections 1 and 3 of this 2009 Act.**

24          **SECTION 5. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
25 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect**  
26 **July 1, 2009.**

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