

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 38

By COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 18 through 28 and delete page 2 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Quality Education Commission shall analyze the operation of the**
3 **funding mechanisms for Oregon’s kindergarten through grade 12 public education system.**
4 **As part of this analysis, the commission shall:**

5 **“(a) Study the entire kindergarten through grade 12 public education system, including**
6 **the Department of Education, school districts and education service districts;**

7 **“(b) Identify all barriers within the kindergarten through grade 12 public education sys-**
8 **tem that diminish resources available to the classroom;**

9 **“(c) Identify statutes and rules relating to kindergarten through grade 12 public educa-**
10 **tion that create barriers to providing additional resources to the classroom;**

11 **“(d) Identify changes that could be made in school districts and education service dis-**
12 **tricts that would result in economies of scale, including administrative functions that could**
13 **be consolidated;**

14 **“(e) Make recommendations for providing additional resources in the classroom;**

15 **“(f) Make recommendations for gaining additional resources from the elimination of**
16 **barriers or the amendment or repeal of statutes or rules and for directing or redirecting**
17 **those additional resources toward:**

18 **“(A) Reducing class size;**

19 **“(B) Increasing the number of classroom teachers;**

20 **“(C) Making available additional classroom support materials; and**

21 **“(D) Increasing the number of courses offered to students; and**

22 **“(g) Study classroom support services and recommend the level of support services that**
23 **most effectively meets student achievement goals as established by law.**

24 **“(2) The commission shall consult with the Joint Legislative Education Fiscal Reform**
25 **Interim Committee regarding the scope of the work required of the commission under this**
26 **section and the resources necessary for that work. The resources may include consultants**
27 **to facilitate the work of the commission. The department, as directed by the commission,**
28 **may enter into contracts with consultants to provide facilitation services.**

29 **“(3) If the department contracts with a consultant, the commission and department shall**
30 **consult with the interim committee about the type of consultant required and the scope of**
31 **the work of the consultant.**

32 **“(4) At the request of the interim committee, the commission shall report to the interim**
33 **committee about the progress of the commission in meeting the requirements of this section.**

34 **“(5) The commission shall submit to the interim committee a final report that contains**
35 **the analysis and recommendations of the commission no later than October 1, 2006.**

1 “(6) The department may accept contributions of moneys and assistance from the United
2 States Government or its agencies or from any other source, public or private, and agree to
3 conditions placed on the moneys not inconsistent with the duties of the commission under
4 this section.

5 “(7) All moneys received by the department under subsection (6) of this section shall be
6 paid into the State Treasury and deposited in the Department of Education Account to the
7 credit of the commission for the purpose of carrying out the duties of the commission under
8 this section.

9 “SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 759.445 and section 34, chapter 1093, Oregon Laws
10 1999, any moneys in the School Technology Account established under ORS 759.445 on July
11 1, 2005, are transferred on that date to the Department of Education Account to the credit
12 of the Quality Education Commission.

13 “(2) The Department of Education may use any moneys transferred to the Department
14 of Education Account under this section for the administration of section 1 of this 2005
15 Act.”.

16 On page 3, delete lines 1 through 11.

17 Delete lines 31 through 34 and insert:

18 “(3) The interim committee shall provide input and direction to the Quality Education Commis-
19 sion on the scope of the work required of the commission under section 1 of this 2005 Act and the
20 resources necessary for that work.

21 “(4) The interim committee may request information and periodic reports from the commission
22 and from any consultant with whom the Department of Education may enter into a contract under
23 section 1 of this 2005 Act.”.

24 On page 4, line 10, delete “to” and insert “and”.