

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 1018

Ordered by the Senate June 1
Including Senate Amendments dated June 1

Sponsored by Senator BROWN (at the request of Governor Theodore R. Kulongoski)

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.

Changes qualifications and term of office for Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon; amending ORS 357.925.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 357.925 is amended to read:

357.925. (1) There is established the office of Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon for the purpose of honoring *[those]* **the** resident poets of Oregon who have been most responsible for capturing the beauty and spirit of the state through the medium of verse.

(2) The person appointed to the office of Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon must be a person who:

(a) Has been a resident of Oregon for at least 10 years.

(b) Is *[presently]* **currently** a resident of Oregon.

(c) Is publicly recognized *[and well regarded]* as a poet **and is well regarded for excellence in the person's work.**

(d) **Has a significant body of published work.**

(e) **Agrees to the conditions and the term of the appointment.**

(3) Within one year after the office of Poet Laureate *[is created or thereafter]* **of the State of Oregon** becomes vacant, the Governor shall appoint a qualified person to the office of Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon to serve at the pleasure of the Governor for a term of *[four]* **two** years. **A person may not serve for more than two consecutive terms as Poet Laureate of the State of Oregon.**

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.