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## **REPRESENTATIVE SHELLY BOSHART DAVIS**

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### **Representative Boshart Davis recaps 2021 Legislative Session**

**SALEM, Ore.** –Today the Oregon Legislature officially adjourned the 2021 Legislative Session.

The six-month long session was unlike any in history. Due to the building being physically closed to the public, the people’s work was conducted mostly online in virtual committee hearings. Representative Shelly Boshart Davis (R-Albany) is recognizing the adjournment of this unusual session by highlighting important work to benefit all Oregonians.

Much of Rep. Boshart Davis’ attention this session was focused on redistricting, and this work is far from over. It is more important than ever given news that Oregon has gained a congressional seat and will now have six U.S. Congressmembers.

This year, Rep. Boshart Davis was elevated to co-chair of the House Committee on Redistricting and will continue to work through the summer on this critical issue as required by the Constitution to ensure that district lines fairly represent communities they represent.

“Many national redistricting experts have listed our state as high risk of gerrymandering. I believe this committee can prove them wrong by holding the most fair and transparent redistricting process following the Constitution and Oregon Statute. It is important each Oregonian has equal representation. I can’t stress enough the importance of speaking up and lending your voice to the next round of redistricting hearings in September,” said Rep. Boshart Davis, Co-Chair of the House Redistricting Committee.

In addition to redistricting, below are important bills Rep. Boshart Davis supported to benefit House District 15 and the people of Oregon:

- [HB 2247 A](#) – Alleviates burdens for property owners who show that they were severely burdened by wildfires and/or COVID-19 hardships by allowing County Commissioners to waive interest on their delinquent real property taxes.
- [HB 3399](#) – Commits Oregon schools to fully reopening for the option of in-person instruction by the Fall of 2021.
- [SB 649](#) – “Bailey’s Bill” – Provides better protections to students by holding teachers to the same standard as coaches regarding sexual abuse.
- [HB 3139](#) – Addresses the alarming rise in suicidal ideation among children by encouraging mental health providers to disclose relevant information to a parent if a minor is at risk of attempting suicide.
- [HB 2341](#) and [HB 2607](#) – Supports Oregonians recovering from wildfires by making it easier to rebuild their homes.
- [HB 2638](#) – Common-sense liability protections for small businesses.
- [HB 2631](#) – Would ensure schools have policies in place to notify parents about instances of bullying.
- [SB 278](#) – Extends eviction protections for tenants who applied for renter’s assistance. An added amendment will also allow property owners to receive the full amount of past rent due, rather than mandating that they forgive 20 percent as required by previous legislation.
- [HB 2954 minority report](#) – Would have provided Oregon families with more school choice to give students the opportunity to receive education in a way that best suits them.
- [HB 2713](#) - Limits Governor's ability to exercise authority conferred on Governor during declared state of emergency to no more than 60 days' duration, unless Legislative Assembly authorizes continued state of emergency.

To learn more about redistricting, visit <https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/redistricting>.

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