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Oregon House Majority Leader Calls on House Republicans to Show Up for Work

SALEM, Ore. – Oregon House Majority Leader Barbara Smith Warner (D-Portland) issued the following statement after Oregon House Republicans refused to show up tonight to do their job.

“Tonight, the Oregon House of Representatives was supposed to take up legislation to ensure Native children within our child welfare system are protected and cared for in culturally appropriate settings. This is the product of a long work group process and has bipartisan support. Unfortunately, the politics of obstruction seems to be more powerful to my colleagues across the aisle.

“What House Republicans are doing tonight is not about protecting anything, it’s not about process, it’s not about pacing - it’s about politics. Those members who refuse to show up for work tonight and do their job are saying to a large majority of Oregonians: your voice doesn’t matter and your vote doesn’t matter. Oregonians deserve much better.”

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