

## OREGON STATE SENATE INVOCATION & PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES

Thank you for your interest in participating in the proceedings of the Oregon State Senate. In order to facilitate your participation, and to ensure the orderly conduct of business before the Senate, we ask that you be mindful of the following:

- 1) Our time on the Senate floor is scheduled, but the specifics of that schedule are subject to change depending on unpredictable circumstances. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
- 2) The invocation or performance occurs before the opening roll call. Please adhere to the following time limitations:
  - a) Two minutes or less for an invocation or reading
  - b) Five minutes or less for a performance
- 3) The purpose of an invocation is to seek guidance and to provide for contemplation, inspiration and reflection; it is not meant for proselytizing or persuasion. Requiring others to join or participate in prayer is inappropriate.
- 4) The members of the Senate, their staff, and the citizens of Oregon, whom they serve, hold a variety of beliefs and opinions. You are addressing everyone and we ask that you be respectful to followers of all faiths and to people professing no religious faith.
- 5) Please do not use this opportunity to present your own political views or interests. Lobbying in the Senate Chamber is strictly prohibited.
- 6) The dress code of the Senate provides for business or traditional attire.

We appreciate your interest in the legislative process and are happy to welcome you into our chamber. Please let us know if you have any questions or if there is any way we can assist you.

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