

OREGON SENATE DEMOCRATS 2019 SESSION AGENDA

In 2019, Oregon Senate Democrats will prioritize the health and safety of all Oregonians by promoting affordable health care and housing, improving public safety, and encouraging sustainable stewardship of our environment.

<u>During the 2019 Legislative Session, Senate Democrats will deliver on Oregon's priorities by:</u>

Supporting Oregon's Environment and Natural Resources

- Promote science-based strategies to address climate change, including measures to protect our coastal resources from ocean acidification
- Protect and grow Oregon's rural jobs in a 21st century economy, and ensuring sustainable land use regulation
- Enhance forest health to reduce wildfire and smoke intensity.

Investing in Educational Opportunities for all Oregonians

- Ensure students are ready and able to learn when starting their educational path
- Foster an environment that encourages graduation and provides students with support services
- Support and improve access to affordable higher education
- Expand on progress made in career and technical education programs, including workforce training and internships

Encouraging Healthy Communities to Thrive

- Promote access to high quality health care, including mental health, for all Oregonians
- Support the development of affordable and stable housing
- Enhance the safety and wellbeing of our youngest Oregonians, and ensure every child has a safe place to call home.

Advancing Government Accountability and Transparency

- Prioritize a stable revenue system in combination with cost containment
- Build a sustainable public employee retirement system
- Encourage equity and inclusion in the workplace.

Promoting Public and Workplace Safety

- Strengthen protections regarding sexual assault and workplace harassment
- Advocate for evidence-based public safety measures
- Streamline Oregon's cannabis system
- Safeguard against inappropriate and unsafe use of drugs