



CAPITOL HISTORY
GATEWAY

Legislative Vocabulary

Learn the words of lawmaking

Bill

A measure that creates new law, changes or removes existing laws, or takes other action.

OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY—1971 REGULAR SESSION

Enrolled House Bill 1036

Sponsored by Representatives HANNEMAN, SAM JOHNSON, MACPHERSON, MEEKER, Senator McKAY, Representative INGALLS, Senator GROENER

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT

Relating to beverage containers; and providing penalties.

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

SECTION 1. As used in this Act, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) "Beverage" means beer or other malt beverages and mineral waters, soda water and similar carbonated soft drinks in liquid form and intended for human consumption.

(2) "Beverage container" means the individual, separate, sealed glass, metal or plastic bottle, can, jar or carton containing a beverage.

(3) "Commission" means the Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

(4) "Consumer" means every person who purchases a beverage in a beverage container for use or consumption.

(5) "Dealer" means every person in this state who engages in the sale of beverages in beverage containers to a consumer, or means a redemption center certified under section 8 of this Act.

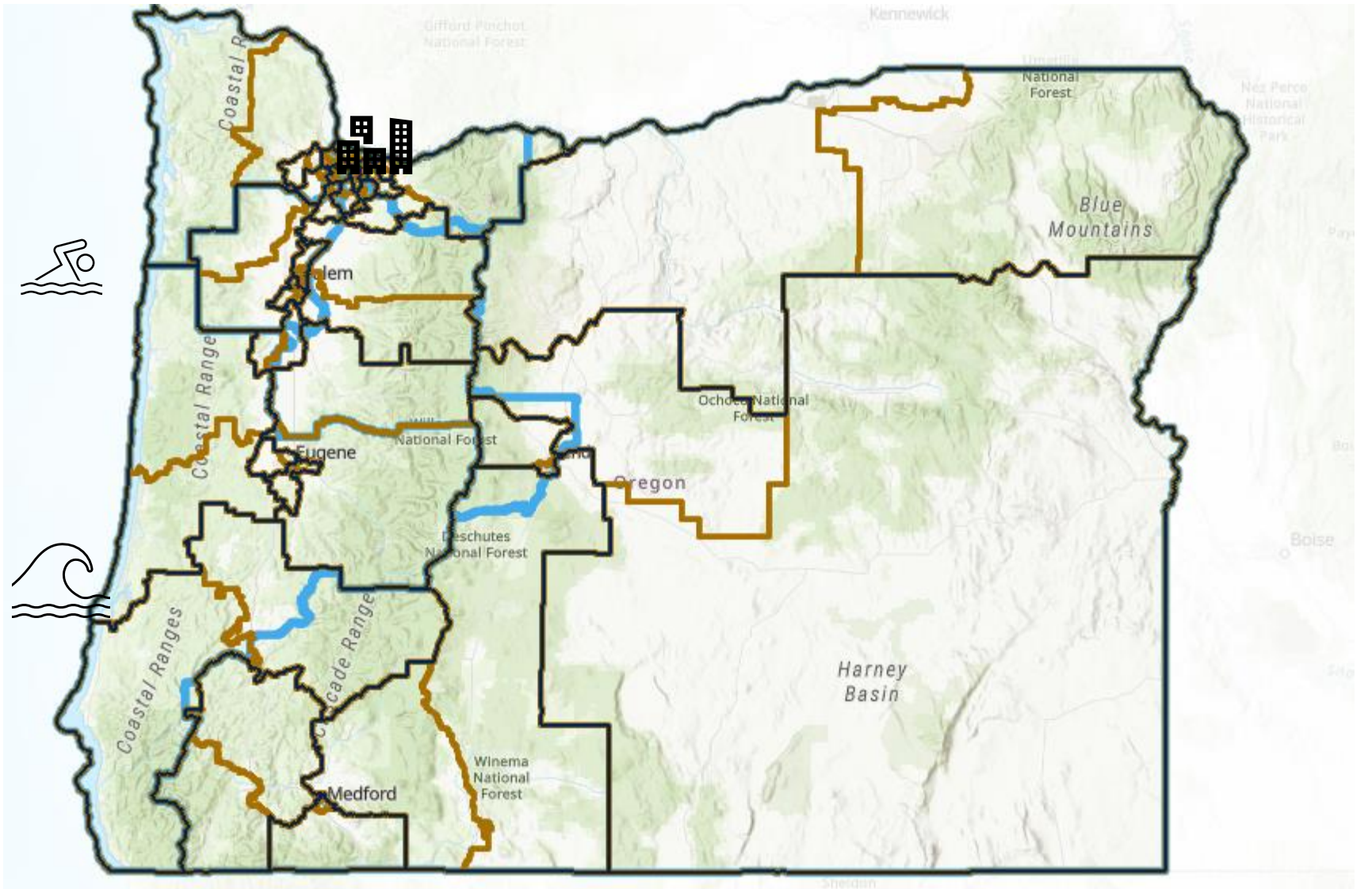
Measure

A piece of writing in the Legislature to propose a law.



District

An area represented by a
Legislator



Debate

A discussion on a topic in a public meeting or legislature, where different ideas about an issue are discussed



Legislature (Noun)

The place in government where laws are made. In Oregon, we have a House of Representatives and Senate.

Legislator (noun)

A person who is elected to the House or Senate to represent Oregonians from their district.

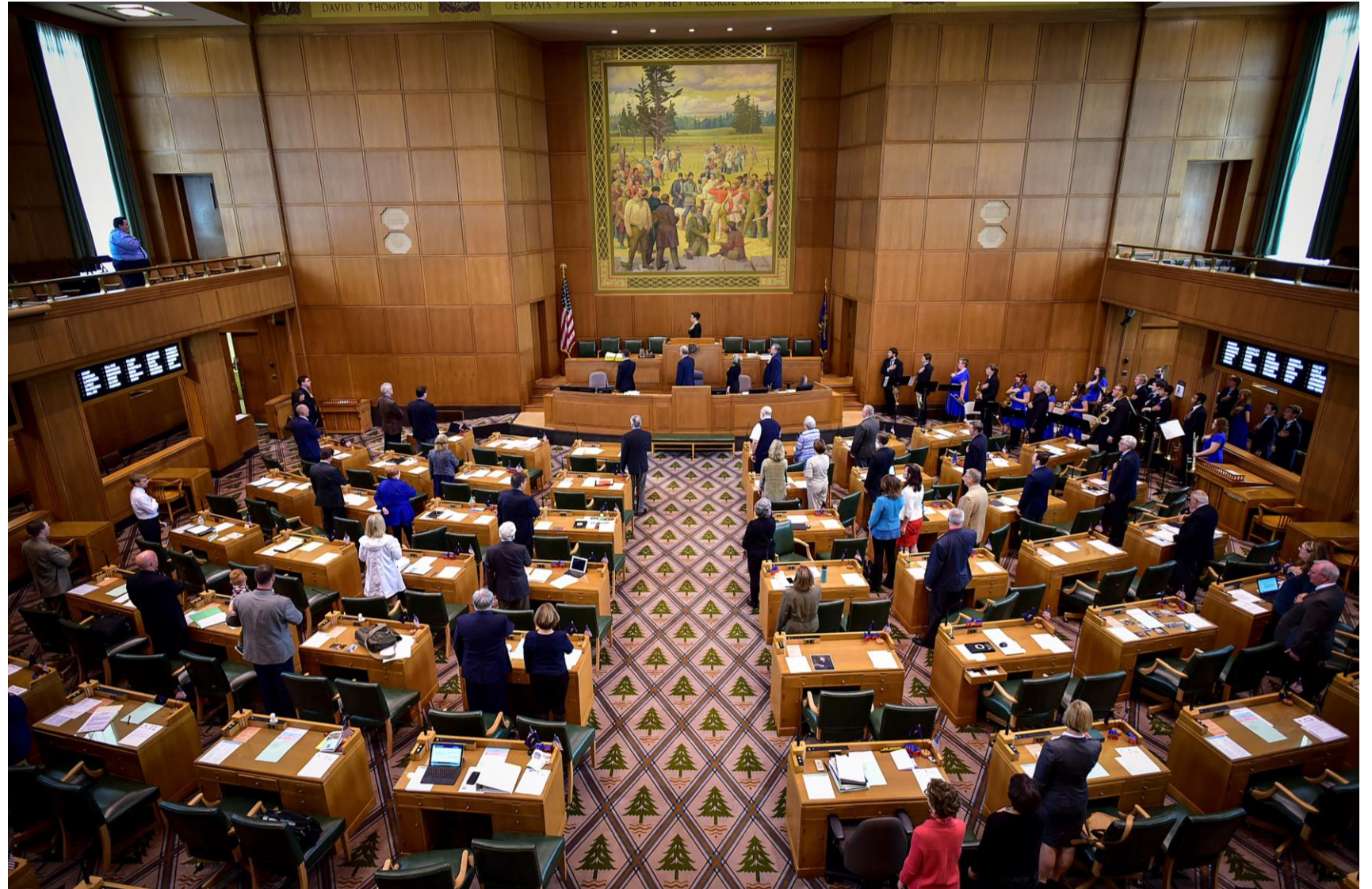
Legislate (verb)

The act of making laws



House of Representatives (House)

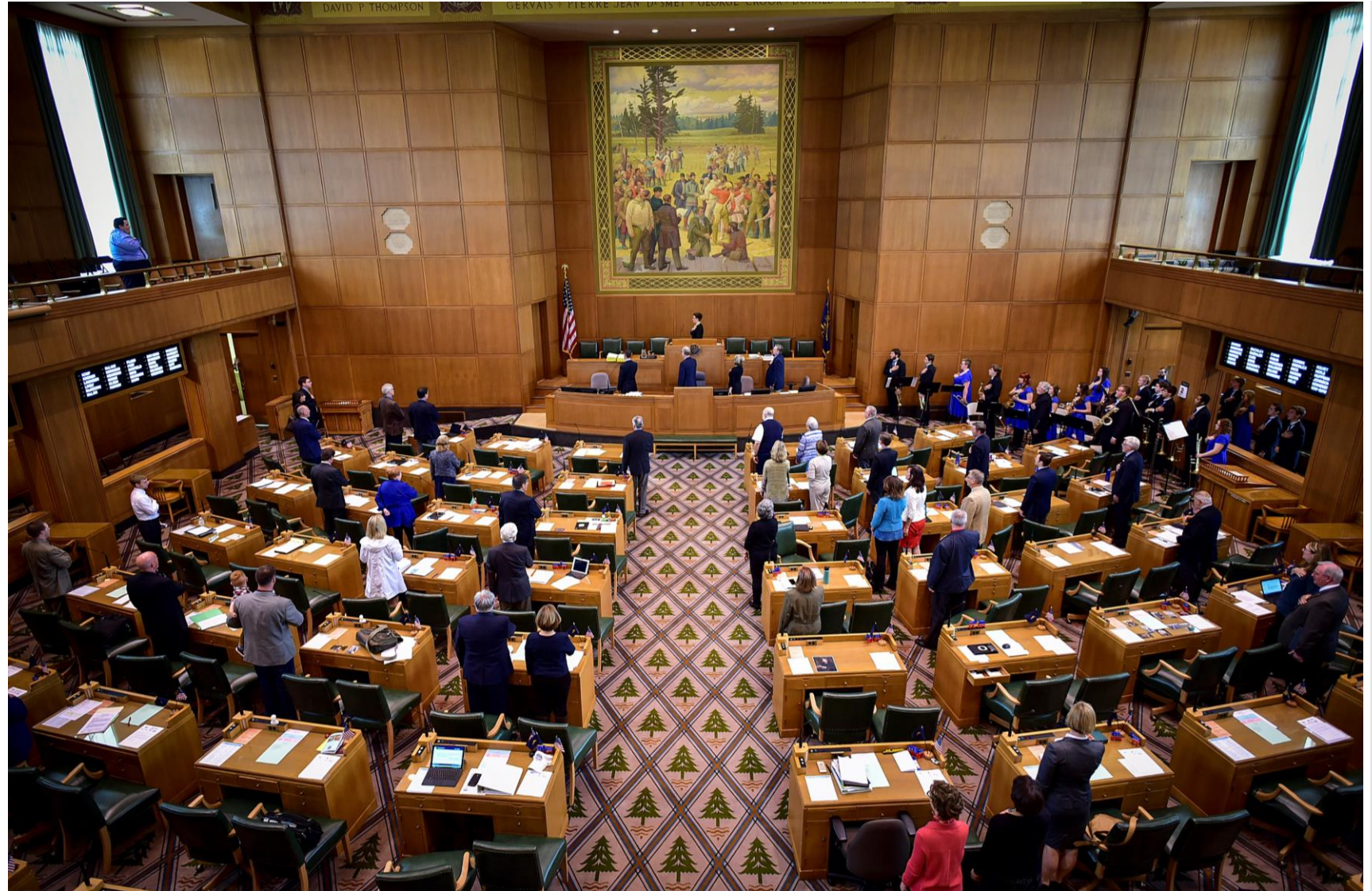
A group of 60 elected members, where each person represents one district of Oregon citizens.



The people in this room make up the Oregon House of Representatives.

Representative

A member of the House of Representatives. They are elected to represent one district of Oregon, in two-year terms.



The representatives stand at their desks, voting on a bill.

Senate

A group of 30 elected members who each represent one district of Oregon.



This group of people make up the Oregon Senate.

Senator

A member of the Senate. Each elected Senator represents one district of Oregon, in four-year terms.



The senators sit at their desks, discussing bills.

Sponsor

The person or group who introduces a bill. A legislator, group of legislators, committee, or executive office can sponsor a bill.



Testify

When a person shares their thoughts about a bill in the legislature. Anyone can testify, at any age, and can testify in person, in writing, or virtually.



This person is testifying. You can watch a group of Scouts give testimony on a bill they inspired [here](#).

Governor

The head of the Executive Branch. The Governor signs bills into law once they pass the in the Legislature. The governor can also veto laws.



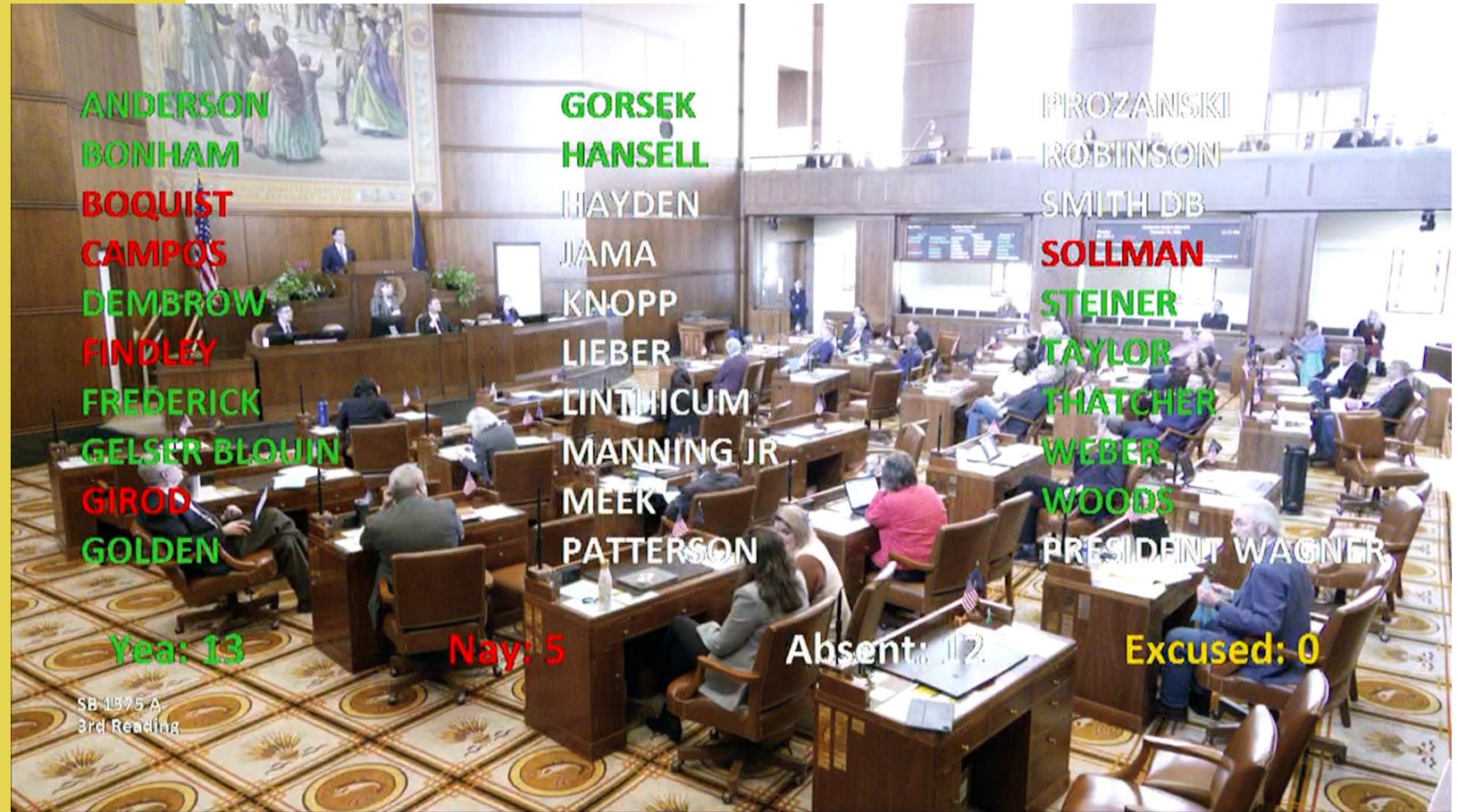
Veto

The governor rejecting a measure. After a veto, a bill goes back to the House and Senate where they can consider changes. If a bill then passes with a 2/3rds majority, it becomes law.



Vote

In the legislature, formally saying "Yes" or "No" to a bill as a senator or representative



Names in green voted "Yes", or "Yea". Names in red voted "No", or "Nay". Names in white have not yet voted.

Committee

A group of Representatives or Senators who discuss bills, budgets, ideas, or government rules on a certain subject.



Hearing

A public meeting of a committee to take testimony on a bill.



Law

A bill that has passed the Senate and House, and approved by the Governor.

