2015 OLA Annual Conference
Thursday, April 16th | 11:00am – 12:30pm

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How to Be a Great Librarian to Your Activist Patrons"

RESOURCE GUIDE

Oregon Legislature

- Citizen's Guide to the Oregon Legislative Process
https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement
How Ideas Become Law, Role of the Legislature, The Legislative Body, Legislative Process, Legislative Glossary, Types of Measures, Lobbying and Lobbyists

"For reference assistance, questions about the legislature, legislative process, or other government agencies" [help.leg@state.or.us, | 1-800-332-2313]

- Legislative Glossary
https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/Legislative-Glossary.aspx
"The glossary is designed to familiarize you with many of the terms and definitions used within the Legislative Assembly"

- How to Testify to a Committee
https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/How-to-Testify.aspx

- Informational Videos
https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/citizen_engagement/Pages/Informational-Videos.aspx
Includes "Citizen's Guide to the Legislative Process" and "Making a Difference - A Citizen's Guide on How to Testify"

Oregon State Library's Legislative Library (staffed by Jerry Curry, Government Research Services)
Room 446 at the State Capitol [leg.help@state.or.us | 503-986-1668]

Oregon Secretary of State

- Overview: Initiatives, Referendums and Referrals
http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/initiatives-referendums-referrals.aspx
Be a Chief Petitioner, Make or Change Law, Ensure Circular Training, Withdraw a Petition, Understand the Referral Process

- Make or Change State Law
http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/statelaw.aspx

- Make or Change Local Law:
http://sos.oregon.gov/elections/Pages/locallaw.aspx

- Office of Small Business Assistance
http://sos.oregon.gov/business/Pages/office-small-business-assistance.aspx
"Mission is to assist entrepreneurs who believe they've been subject to unreasonable or unfair state regulatory actions... (the Office) works collaboratively with small businesses and state agencies to resolve issues."

The Oregonian's Your Government: A Guide to Civic Engagement
http://gov.oregonlive.com/engage/
Find Your Representative, Check Committee Members and Agendas, Search Bills, State's List of Registered Lobbyists

City of Portland

- Office of Neighborhood Involvement, Legislative Advocacy 101
  - Workshop Materials
  http://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/61224
  - Ten Principles of Lobbying
  http://www.portlandoregon.gov/oni/article/430938

- Portland's Office of the Ombudsman
  http://www.portlandonline.com/auditor/index.cfm?c=26647

211 Info List of Oregon's "Government Complaint/Government Ombudsman Offices"
http://bit.ly/1FSuL0M

League of Oregon Cities: Finance Toolkit – How to Communicate About City Finance
http://bit.ly/1zhb0ZI
Communicating with the Media, Communicating with the Legislature, Explaining Government Funds

Oregon Blue Book

- State reference guide to local, state and federal governance
  http://www.bluebook.state.or.us/default.htm

- Browse by subject
  http://www.bluebook.state.or.us/sitemap/index.htm

Presentation materials at http://smartURL.it/2015OLAHandoutsSL
Resource list created by Sue Ludington, Washington County Law Library