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AUTHORITY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM THE  
OREGON SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION LEGAL  
ASSISTANCE TRUST

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REPORT: Portland Community College has been notified that the College will be named as a defendant in a case involving a retired PCC employee allegedly harmed by the manner in which the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) has or will implement the decision of the Oregon Supreme Court in *strunk v. PERB*. The employee is one of several employees suing their respective employers and PERS over the implementation of the Court's decision.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Directors authorize the College to request assistance from the Oregon School Board's Association Legal Assistance Trust to assist Portland Community College with the costs of litigation.