Progressive Victories

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now prescribe birth control after the patient completes a 20-question risk-screening assessment. In June, Brown signed another measure that requires insurance companies to cover up to 12 months of birth control at a time, allowing women fewer visits to the pharmacy.

Under a so-called motor voter law, an Oregon resident who interacts with the Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division, but hasn't' registered to vote, will automatically receive a ballot in the mail at least 20 days before the next statewide election. It's expected to add about 300,000 new voters to the rolls.

Lawmakers also managed to expand background checks for private gun sales in May and approved a bill requiring companies with at least 10 employees to give their workers paid sick days so employees will no longer have to choose between recovering from an illness or preserving their paycheck. Both bills were signed by the

The Oregon Legislature is expected to return in five months to begin next year's session.

New Dean Brings Diverse Experience

Warner Pacific names new administrator

Warner Pacific College has welcomed Rev. Dr. Reginald Nichol as its new Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculty, a position that plays a critical role in developing partnerships with local high schools and community colleges, providing oversight of academic polices and curriculum as well as serving as the chief accreditation officer.

Nichols brings 30 years of diverse experience in improving student learning, empowering urban communities, facilitating study abroad, serving first-generation students, and fundraising, college officials said.

Dr. Andrea Cook, president of college's rich tradition of providing



Rev. Dr. Reginald Nichols

Warner Pacific, said, "I believe God called Dr. Nichols to Warner Pacific College for 'such a time as this.' His proven gifts in administration, educational program management, and fund development will support the Christ-centered, liberal arts education to our students."

Dr. Nichols received his Bachelor of Arts from Gordon College in Wenham, Mass. He holds a Master of Divinity in Marriage and Family Counseling from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif., and a Doctor of Education in Organization and Leadership International and Multicultural Education from the University of San Francisco.

He has written and presented extensively on topics related to student achievement and engaging urban families through education, community partnership, development, and strategic planning.

Warner Pacific students will officially meet Dr. Nichols during the College's Welcome Weekend at the end of August when classes resume.



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