

B-Engrossed
Senate Bill 338

Ordered by the House May 6
Including Senate Amendments dated April 6 and House Amendments
dated May 6

Sponsored by Senator HASS (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Establishes Task Force on Tuition Waivers for [*Veterans*] **Spouses and Dependents of Fallen and Disabled Soldiers** at Community Colleges in Oregon for purposes related to issuance of tuition waivers for [*veterans and their families*] **qualified students** at community college districts.

Sunsets on date of convening of 2012 regular session of Legislative Assembly.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to tuition waivers; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Tuition Waivers for Spouses and Dependents of Fallen**
5 **and Disabled Soldiers at Community Colleges in Oregon is established, consisting of the 17**
6 **community college district presidents in this state. A community college district president**
7 **may designate an alternate member to represent the community college district.**

8 **(2) In consultation with the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the task force shall address**
9 **the issue of tuition waivers for qualified students as defined in ORS 351.656 at community**
10 **college districts in this state by:**

11 **(a) Determining a common set of policies for all community college districts in this state**
12 **that is in alignment with the tuition waiver provisions of ORS 351.656; and**

13 **(b) Comparing policies of community college districts in this state with the tuition waiver**
14 **policies for qualified students as defined in ORS 351.656 adopted by the Oregon University**
15 **System, and aligning the community college district policies with those of the Oregon Uni-**
16 **versity System.**

17 **(3) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the**
18 **transaction of business.**

19 **(4) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting**
20 **members of the task force.**

21 **(5) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.**

22 **(6) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson**
23 **or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.**

24 **(7) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.**

25 **(8) The task force shall submit a report, and may include recommendations for legis-**
26 **lation, to the Legislative Assembly no later than the date of the convening of the regular**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 session of the 2012 Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

2 (9) The Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development shall provide
3 staff support to the task force.

4 (10) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation.

5 (11) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist
6 the task force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating
7 to confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force
8 consider necessary to perform their duties.

9 **SECTION 2.** Section 1 of this 2011 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the 2012
10 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

11 **SECTION 3.** This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
12 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect
13 on its passage.

14