

A-Engrossed
House Bill 4021

Ordered by the House February 12
Including House Amendments dated February 12

Sponsored by Representative MATTHEWS, Senators BOQUIST, OLSEN; Representatives FAGAN, PARRISH, Senator MONNES ANDERSON (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.

Directs public universities to charge nonresident veteran who is graduate student tuition and fees no greater than resident rate if nonresident veteran received either honorable discharge or general discharge under honorable conditions and provides proof of physical presence in Oregon within 12 months of enrollment.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to veterans' educational benefits; creating new provisions; amending ORS 352.375; and de-
3 claring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 352.375 is amended to read:

6 352.375. (1) A public university listed in ORS 352.002 or a community college shall charge an
7 enrolled student who is not a resident of this state and who is attending classes as an undergraduate
8 **or graduate student** on a public university or community college campus in this state tuition and
9 fees no greater than the resident rate if the student:

10 (a) Served in the Armed Forces of the United States;

11 (b) Was relieved or discharged from that service with either an honorable discharge or a general
12 discharge under honorable conditions; and

13 (c) Provides proof that the student has established a physical presence in Oregon within 12
14 months of being enrolled at the public university or community college.

15 (2) A person who served in the Armed Forces of the United States and who receives federal
16 tuition benefits in excess of the tuition and fees the person is charged under subsection (1) of this
17 section at a public university listed in ORS 352.002 or a community college where the person is
18 enrolled shall pay tuition and fees equal to the federal tuition benefits received.

19 (3) Distance education and self-support courses as identified by each public university listed in
20 ORS 352.002 and community college are exempt from the tuition reduction provisions of this section.

21 (4) If a nonresident student otherwise eligible for tuition benefits under this section is receiving
22 federal vocational rehabilitation education benefits, that student shall pay full nonresident tuition
23 and fees charged by a public university listed in ORS 352.002 or a community college.

24 **SECTION 2.** **The amendments to ORS 352.375 by section 1 of this 2014 Act apply only to**
25 **persons admitted as new graduate students but not continuing graduate students for enroll-**
26 **ment to a public university on or after September 15, 2014.**

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 **SECTION 3. This 2014 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
2 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2014 Act takes effect**
3 **on its passage.**

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