

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3069

Ordered by the House April 22
Including House Amendments dated April 22

Sponsored by Representative JOHNSON

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.

Requires [*teacher education institutions and*] teacher education programs to [*provide applicants with*] **demonstrate that students enrolled in programs receive certain** training related to teaching [*and testing*] reading [*as condition of being approved*].

Takes effect July 1, 2016.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to standards for teacher education; amending ORS 342.147; and prescribing an effective
3 date.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 342.147 is amended to read:

6 342.147. (1)(a) After considering recommendations of the State Board of Education, the Teacher
7 Standards and Practices Commission shall establish by rule standards for approval of teacher edu-
8 cation institutions and teacher education programs.

9 (b) Public teacher education institutions shall be approved for programs of more than four
10 years' duration only if teacher education programs [*which*] **that** are reasonably attainable in a
11 four-year period are also available in the system of higher education and are designed to culminate
12 in a baccalaureate degree that qualifies its graduates for entry-level teaching licenses.

13 **(2) The commission shall adopt rules that:**

14 (a) **Require teacher education programs to demonstrate that students enrolled in the**
15 **programs receive training to provide instruction that enables pupils to meet or exceed**
16 **third-grade reading standards and become proficient readers by the end of the third grade,**
17 **as designated by the State Board of Education. For the purposes of this paragraph:**

18 (A) **A teacher education program may make the demonstration through course curric-**
19 **ulum, approved textbooks or other program requirements.**

20 (B) **A teacher education program that is unable to make the demonstration shall develop**
21 **a plan to meet the requirement within one year and shall report to the commission on the**
22 **progress of implementing that plan.**

23 [(2)] (b) [*The commission shall establish rules that*] Allow teacher education programs leading to
24 graduate degrees to commence prior to [*the*] **a** student's completion of baccalaureate degree re-
25 quirements and [*that allow the combined use of*] **to combine** undergraduate and graduate level
26 course work in achieving program completion.

27 (3) Whenever any teacher education institution or program is denied approved status or has

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 such status withdrawn, [*such*] **the** denial or withdrawal must be treated as a contested case within
2 the meaning of ORS chapter 183.

3 (4) Nothing in this section is intended to grant any authority to the commission relating to
4 granting degrees or establishing degree requirements that are within the authority of the State
5 Board of Higher Education or any of the public universities listed in ORS 352.002, or that are within
6 the authority of the governing board of any private institution of higher education.

7 **SECTION 2. This 2015 Act takes effect on July 1, 2016.**

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