

Enrolled House Bill 3339

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission; creating new provisions; amending
ORS 342.137; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Secretary of State shall conduct an audit related to the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.

(2) The audit required by this section must address:

(a) The finances and resources of the commission;

(b) The commission’s licensing and educator oversight responsibilities, including the workload of the commission, the work processes of the commission and performance indicators for the commission;

(c) Recommendations to improve commission activities that affect educators, teacher education institutions and teacher education programs; and

(d) The commission’s governance role in setting expectations, ensuring accountability and acting transparently.

(3) The Secretary of State shall submit a report on the audit required by this section to the interim legislative committees on education no later than January 15, 2016.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on June 30, 2016.

SECTION 3. ORS 342.137 is amended to read:

342.137. (1) A teacher leader license shall designate that its holder is qualified to provide leadership that may include mentoring, curriculum development support, teacher preparation support and other educational leadership.

(2) A teacher leader license shall be issued on application to an otherwise qualified person who:

(a) Has a valid professional teaching license; and

(b) Has been deemed to be effective to highly effective in teaching, as shown by:

(A) A combination of evaluations conducted in compliance with ORS 342.856 [or as shown by] and evidence of current professional leadership practices, as determined based on standards adopted by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission by rule; or

(B) Other evidence identified by the [Teacher Standards and Practices] commission by rule.

(3) A teacher leader license may be renewed if the applicant meets the requirements established by the [Teacher Standards and Practices] commission by rule.

(4) The [Teacher Standards and Practices] commission shall develop a process by which a teacher holding a teacher leader license is automatically issued a professional teaching license upon

nonrenewal of a teacher leader license if the teacher meets the requirements for a professional teaching license.

SECTION 4. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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