

# House Bill 3376

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## 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 **as introduced**.

Expands cost-sharing program for primary care internships and residencies.  
Appropriates General Fund moneys to Rural Medical Education Loan Fund for purposes of expanding program.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to cost-sharing programs for physician training; creating new provisions; amending ORS  
3 348.350; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 348.350 is amended to read:

6 348.350. (1) The Executive Director of the Office of Student Access and Completion is authorized  
7 to establish and administer a cost-sharing program to train intern and residency physicians as may  
8 be arranged by contract with [*an*] accredited training [*hospital*] **hospitals** within this state. The cost  
9 sharing shall be limited to [*general practice internships and family practice residencies*] **primary care**  
10 **internships and residencies**. The [*commission*] **Office of Student Access and Completion** may  
11 pay up to [*\$18,000*] **\$25,000** to an institution for each intern or resident position which is reserved  
12 for training students who are planning to enter medical practice in rural areas. **An institution may**  
13 **not receive more than \$200,000 annually under this program.**

14 (2) Funds for programs established under subsection (1) of this section shall be paid from the  
15 Rural Medical Education Loan Fund.

16 (3) No money appropriated under this section shall be used for any program **located in a city**  
17 **with a population exceeding 400,000** [*at the Oregon Health and Science University*]. The [*center*]  
18 **office** shall be required to give priority admissions to recipients under ORS 348.310 to 348.390 in its  
19 family practice residency programs.

20 **SECTION 2.** **In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**  
21 **ated to the Rural Medical Education Loan Fund established under ORS 348.390, for the**  
22 **biennium beginning July 1, 2015, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$5,000,000, for the**  
23 **purpose of operating the cost-sharing program set forth in ORS 348.350, as amended by sec-**  
24 **tion 1 of this 2015 Act.**

25 **SECTION 3.** **This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
26 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**  
27 **on its passage.**

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**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.