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Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EARLY CHILDHOOD AND FAMILY SUPPORTS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3069

- In line 2 of the printed bill, after the semicolon insert "creating new provisions; amending ORS 417.790;".
- 3 Delete lines 4 through 14 and insert:
- "SECTION 1. (1) The Early Childhood Equity Innovation Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Early Childhood Equity Inno-
- 7 vation Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund are
- ${\bf 8}$ continuously appropriated to the Department of Education for the
- 9 Early Learning Division to make grants under this section to cul-
- turally specific early learning, early childhood and parent support programs.
- 12 (2) The Early Childhood Equity Innovation Fund shall consist of:
- 13 "(a) Moneys appropriated or otherwise transferred to the fund by 14 the Legislative Assembly;
 - "(b) Earnings received on moneys in the fund;
- 16 "(c) Amounts donated to the fund; and

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- 17 "(d) Other amounts deposited into the fund from any source.
- "(3) The Early Learning Division may make grants from the Early
 Childhood Equity Innovation Fund to culturally specific early learning, early childhood and parent support programs in this state that:
 - "(a) Provide outreach and support to children and families of vary-

- ing ethnicities, including but not limited to African-American,
 Hispanic, Native American, Asian-American or multiracial descent
- 3 who are not currently served by existing programs in this state; and
- "(b) Demonstrate a proven ability to provide outreach, support and resources to children and families described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.
- "(4) The Early Learning Division shall conduct a biennial evaluation of programs that receive grants from the Early Childhood Equity Innovation Fund. The evaluation shall include measurement of outcomes that align with current research regarding positive child and family indicators, including but not limited to family stability and early childhood school readiness.
 - "(5) The Department of Education, in consultation with the Early Learning Division, shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the provisions of this section. The rules shall include, but are not limited to, requirements for eligibility for grants from the Early Childhood Equity Innovation Fund.
 - "(6) Prior to September 15 of each odd-numbered year, the Department of Education and the Early Learning Division shall submit to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to early childhood and child welfare a report on the status of grants made to programs under this section. The report shall include the results of any biennial evaluation that has been conducted in accordance with subsection (3) of this section.
- "SECTION 2. ORS 417.790 is amended to read:
- 26 "417.790. The Early Learning Division shall:
- "(1) Make grants to fund research-based services and initiatives to improve outcomes for children, youth or families.
- "(2) Make Great Start grants to fund community-based programs for children zero through six years of age. A recipient shall use Great Start

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- 1 grant funds to provide research-based early childhood programs in commu-
- 2 nity settings and to provide services that have proven to be successful and
- 3 that meet the needs of the community. These services shall be provided in
- 4 accordance with ORS 417.728.

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- 5 "(3) Make grants to fund culturally specific early learning, early childhood and parent support programs under section 1 of this 2017 Act.
 - "SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$5 million for the Early Learning Division for the purpose of making grants to culturally specific early learning, early childhood and parent support programs and implementing and administering the provisions of section 1 of this 2017 Act.
 - "SECTION 4. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect July 1, 2017."

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