

Senate Bill 852

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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**.

Provides that part-time faculty member at public institution of higher education who qualifies for health care benefits will pay 10 percent of insurance premiums, with remaining 90 percent paid by state.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to employees at public institutions of higher education; creating new provisions; and
3 amending ORS 350.355.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 350.355 is amended to read:

6 350.355. (1) Subject to ORS 352.237 and any group health and welfare insurance benefit plan
7 developed under ORS 352.237, a part-time faculty member at a public institution of higher education
8 is eligible for the same health care benefits as full-time faculty members if the part-time faculty
9 member is eligible for membership in the Public Employees Retirement System or another plan au-
10 thorized under ORS chapter 238 or 238A by teaching either at a single public institution of higher
11 education or in aggregate at multiple public institutions of higher education during the prior year.

12 (2) A part-time faculty member at a public institution of higher education shall pay *[all]* **10**
13 **percent of the** insurance premiums for health care benefits, **with the remaining 90 percent of the**
14 **insurance premiums paid by the state out of funds appropriated to the Oregon Educators**
15 **Benefit Board by the Legislative Assembly** *[unless otherwise provided for by the policy of the in-*
16 *stitution or by collective bargaining at the institution].*

17 **(3) The Oregon Educators Benefit Board may make rules to implement this section.**

18 **SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 350.355 by section 1 of this 2019 Act become oper-
19 **ative and first apply to health care benefits offered to part-time faculty members on Sep-**
20 **tember 1, 2020.**

21 **SECTION 3.** The Oregon Educators Benefit Board shall, before the operative date speci-
22 **fied in section 2 of this 2019 Act, take any actions necessary to implement the amendments**
23 **to ORS 350.355 by section 1 of this 2019 Act on the operative date specified in section 2 of this**
24 **2019 Act.**

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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.