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SUMMARY

Authorizes adult in custody to enroll in academic program at any community college in state, any distance learning academic program or any other higher education academic program that adult in custody applies for and is accepted into, provided that enrollment in academic program is consistent with administrative rules and regulations adopted by Department of Corrections.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to educational opportunities for adults in custody.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 341.

SECTION 2. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law and except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, an adult in custody may apply for and enroll in:

(a) An academic program at any community college operated under this chapter, including a community college that is located outside of the boundaries of the community college district in which the correctional facility that houses the adult in custody is located;

(b) A post-secondary distance education academic program; or

(c) Any other post-secondary academic program that the adult in custody applies for and is accepted into.

(2) An adult in custody may enroll in an academic program under this section only if the enrollment is consistent with administration rules and regulations adopted by the Department of Corrections.

1 **(3) As used in this section, “adult in custody” has the meaning**
2 **given that term in ORS 423.076.**

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