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SUMMARY

Prohibits public or private post-secondary institution of education from requiring prospective student to disclose whether prospective student has criminal conviction before institution makes final determination on whether to admit student.

Establishes exceptions for prospective students who apply to institution using common application and for prospective students who seek admission into professional degree program or law enforcement basic training courses and programs.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to applying to post-secondary institutions of education; and declar-
3 ing an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section,**
6 **a public or private post-secondary institution of education may not**
7 **require a prospective student to disclose whether the prospective stu-**
8 **dent has a criminal conviction before the institution makes a final**
9 **decision on whether to admit the prospective student.**

10 **(2) Subsection (1) of this section:**

11 **(a) Applies only to an application for admission to a post-secondary**
12 **course or program that is based in this state; and**

13 **(b) Does not apply to:**

14 **(A) An application for admission to a course or program that is**
15 **submitted to an institution via a standardized application that is ac-**
16 **cepted by more than 200 colleges or universities throughout the United**

1 **States; or**

2 **(B) An application for admission to a professional degree program**
3 **or to law enforcement basic training courses and programs.**

4 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act first applies to applications**
5 **for the 2022-2023 academic year.**

6 **SECTION 3. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
7 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
8 **clared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.**

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