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AN ACT

Relating to educator diversity; amending ORS 342.448; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 342.448 is amended to read:
342.448. (1) Representatives of the [Education and Workforce Policy Advisor] Educator Advancement Council, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, the Department of Education and the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall jointly create a report on the Educators Equity Act. The report shall be created in consultation with educator preparation providers and shall include:
(a) A summary of the most recent data collected as provided by ORS 342.443 (1)(d) to (h).
(b) A summary of the plans currently implemented as provided by ORS 342.447.
(c) [Recommendations for meeting] A review of the goal described in ORS 342.437, including:
   (A) Determination of the need for additional related state goals.
   (B) Progress made by the state toward meeting the goal described in ORS 342.437 and any other additional related state goals.
   (C) Recommendations and a long-term plan for meeting the goal described in ORS 342.437 and any other additional related state goals.
   (d) A description of best practices within this state and other states for recruiting, hiring and retaining diverse educators.
   (e) Recommendations for legislation to help the state meet the goal described in ORS 342.437 and any other additional related state goals.

(2)(a) The report created as provided by subsection (1) of this section shall be submitted:
(A) To the interim legislative committees on education [in each even-numbered] by September 1 of each even-numbered year; and
(B) To the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 [in each odd-numbered] by September 1 of each even-numbered year.
(b) The report submitted as required by paragraph (a)(B) of this subsection shall be submitted with the data reported as required by ORS 342.443 (1)(d) to (h).
(3) The [Education and Workforce Policy Advisor] Educator Advancement Council, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, the Department of Education and the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall make the report submitted as provided under subsection (2) of this section available on the website of each agency.
SECTION 2. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.

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