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Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1572

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "350.253" and insert 2 "329.756".

3 Delete lines 5 through 28 and delete pages 2 through 6 and insert:

4 **"SECTION 1.** ORS 329.756 is amended to read:

5 "329.756. (1) As used in this section:

"(a) 'Education employer' means a public charter school, a school district,
a community college operated under ORS chapter 341, a public uni-

versity listed in ORS 352.002, a tribal college[, a community college] or 8 university, as defined in 20 U.S.C. 1059c(b)(3), as in effect on September 25, 9 2021, and any other governmental agency within this state that employs a 10 faculty member who teaches, teacher or a school nurse, as defined in ORS 11 12 336.204, in a full-time capacity which, for the purposes of this paragraph, means including within the calculation of full-time equivalent work hours 13 every hour in which the teacher or school nurse engages in instruction and 14 at least 3.35 additional hours for each hour of instruction. 15

"(b) 'Public service loan forgiveness program' means the program under which the United States Secretary of Education cancels the balance of interest and principal due on eligible federal direct loans in accordance with the criteria specified under 20 U.S.C. 1087e(m) and 34 C.F.R. 685.219, both as in effect on September 25, 2021.

21 "(2)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(a) of this section and except

as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, for community colleges
operated under ORS chapter 341 and public universities listed in ORS
352.002:

4 "(A) A faculty member who teaches is considered to be employed
5 in a full-time capacity if the faculty member engages in 30 or more
6 full-time equivalent work hours per week; and

"(B) In calculating the number of full-time equivalent work hours
engaged in per week by a faculty member who teaches:

9 "(i) Each hour assigned to the faculty member as an hour of lecture
10 time or as an hour of classroom time constitutes 4.35 full-time equiv11 alent work hours; and

"(ii) Each hour that a faculty member who teaches is compensated
 for other than hours described in sub-subparagraph (i) of this subparagraph
 agraph constitutes 1.0 full-time equivalent work hours.

15 "(b) A community college operated under ORS chapter 341 or a 16 public university listed in ORS 352.002 may provide by collective bar-17 gaining to increase the multiplier used to calculate full-time equiv-18 alent work hours under paragraph (a)(B) of this subsection.

"[(2)(a)] (3)(a) An education employer shall provide all employees who qualify for a public service loan forgiveness program with materials and assistance that:

"(A) Increases awareness of the public service loan forgiveness program
 among eligible employees of the education employer; and

24 "(B) Increases participation by employees in the public service loan 25 forgiveness program.

"(b) Materials described in paragraph (a) of this subsection may include,
but are not limited to:

"(A) Announcements and advertisements in an education employer's offi cial publications and in any electronic mail or social media messages the
 education employer sends to employees;

1 "(B) Inserts or other messages in employee paychecks or payment instru-2 ments, to the extent practicable; or

3 "(C) Other periodic reminders in communications to employees.

"(c) An education employer shall direct an employee, as part of the employee's official duties, to become familiar with eligibility requirements, application procedures and other information about the public service loan forgiveness program and to provide assistance to other employees who request assistance with determining the employees' eligibility for and applications to the public service loan forgiveness program.

"SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to ORS 329.756 by section 1 of this
 2022 Act apply to community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341
 and public universities listed in ORS 352.002, on and after September
 25, 2021.

"(2) The calculation used to determine whether a faculty member 14 who teaches at a community college operated under ORS chapter 341 15or public university listed in ORS 352.002 is employed in a full-time 16 capacity that is set forth in ORS 329.756 as amended by section 1 of 17 this 2022 Act is ratified and approved for the purpose of determining 18 whether a faculty member who taught at a community college or 19 public university during the period between September 25, 2021, and 20the effective date of this 2022 Act was employed by the community 21college or public university in a full-time capacity. 22

"<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2022 Act being necessary for the immediate
preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
declared to exist, and this 2022 Act takes effect on its passage.".

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