

House Bill 3178

Sponsored by Representative HUDSON; Representative VALDERRAMA

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**.

Expands criteria for awarding scholarships to diverse teacher candidates.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to scholarships for diverse teacher candidates; amending ORS 348.295.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 348.295, as amended by section 4, chapter 44, Oregon Laws 2022, is amended to read:

348.295. (1) In addition to any other form of student financial aid authorized by law, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission may award scholarships to [*culturally and linguistically diverse teacher candidates to use at approved educator preparation providers, as defined in ORS 342.120,*] **the following** for the purpose of advancing the goal described in ORS 342.437 (1)(a)[.]:

(a) Culturally and linguistically diverse teacher candidates to use at approved educator preparation providers.

(b) Culturally and linguistically diverse teacher candidates who are first generation enrollees of an approved educator preparation program with a plan implemented under ORS 342.447.

(2)(a) Scholarships awarded under **subsection (1)(a) of this section** shall be in amounts of \$10,000 each academic year, for a maximum of two academic years.

(b) Scholarships awarded under subsection (1)(b) of this section shall be in amounts of \$12,000 each academic year, for a maximum of two academic years.

(3) The commission shall adopt rules necessary for the implementation and administration of this section in consultation with the Educator Advancement Council and the Department of Education.

(4) As used in this section “approved educator preparation program” and “approved educator preparation provider” have the meanings given those terms in ORS 342.120.

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.