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Senate Bill 270

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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.

Authorizes Department of Corrections to enter into agreements to offer academic pro-
grams to adults [adult] in custody [to enroll in] with 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 and, 
as applicable, federal regulations relating to federal Pell Grant.

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, the Department of Corrections may enter into agreements to 
offer academic programs to adults in custody with:

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

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

(c) Any other post-secondary academic program.

(2) The Department of Corrections may enter into an agreement to offer an academic 
program under this section only if the program is consistent with administration rules and 
regulations adopted by the Department of Corrections and, as applicable, federal regulations 
relating to the federal Pell Grant.

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

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.

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