

# Senate Bill 269

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## SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Corrections and Higher Education Coordinating Commission to enter into memorandum of understanding regarding correctional education system.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the correctional education system; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Corrections and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall enter into a memorandum of understanding regarding the correctional education system.**

**(2) A memorandum of understanding entered into under this section shall contain, but is not limited to, provisions relating to:**

**(a) Sharing data between agencies;**

**(b) Providing clarity regarding the education programs that provide college credit, a college degree, a college certification, an industry-recognized certification or license or an apprenticeship that are available to adults in custody;**

**(c) Developing a policy on the availability of distance learning for adults in custody;**

**(d) Developing a method for aiding adults in custody with the process of applying for federal financial aid; and**

**(e) Any other policy or program necessary to comply with federal regulations related to educating adults in custody.**

**(3) Each year the Department of Corrections and the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall jointly review and update the memorandum of understanding.**

**(4) As used in this section:**

**(a) "Adult in custody" means a person incarcerated or detained in a correctional facility who is accused of, convicted of or sentenced for a violation of criminal law or for the violation of the terms and conditions of pretrial release, probation, parole, post-prison supervision or a diversion program.**

**(b) "Correctional facility" means a Department of Corrections institution or a jail.**

**SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.**

**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.