

Requested by Representative RUIZ

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3120**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “education” insert “; and declaring an
2 emergency”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 9 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission**
5 **shall establish a grant program for the purpose of supporting organ-**
6 **izations that expand the scope and community reach of college access**
7 **and success programs.**

8 **“(2) In order to be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an**
9 **organization must:**

10 **“(a)(A) Be a not-for-profit corporation that is tax exempt under**
11 **section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; or**

12 **“(B) Be a community-based organization; and**

13 **“(b) Have a demonstrated history of providing successful college**
14 **access and success programs that:**

15 **“(A) Increase the enrollment of historically underrepresented**
16 **groups at post-secondary institutions of education; or**

17 **“(B) Increase the rates at which historically underrepresented**
18 **groups complete certificate or degree programs at post-secondary in-**
19 **stitutions of education.**

20 **“(3) The commission shall adopt any rules necessary for the ad-**
21 **ministration of this section, including but not limited to any require-**

1 ments related to:

2 “(a) Specifying the form and timelines for submitting an application
3 for a grant under this section;

4 “(b) Determining whether an organization is eligible for a grant
5 under this section; and

6 “(c) Calculating the amount to award to grant recipients under this
7 section.

8 “SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
9 ation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
10 Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the Gen-
11 eral Fund, the amount of \$5,000,000, for the purpose of administering
12 the grant program described in section 1 of this 2023 Act.

13 “SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate
14 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
15 declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on July 1, 2023.”.

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