

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3121

Ordered by the House April 4
Including House Amendments dated April 4

Sponsored by Representative LIVELY; Representative RUIZ

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.

[Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to conduct study to determine best method for making public higher education affordable for Oregonians. Directs commission to submit findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to higher education not later than September 15, 2024.]

Appropriates moneys to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for purpose of carrying out Oregon's Open Educational Resources (OER) Program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to higher education affordability; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
5 **ated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1,**
6 **2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$5,200,000, for the purposes of carrying out**
7 **Oregon's Open Educational Resources (OER) Program established in ORS 348.748 to 348.757.**

8 **SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
9 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect**
10 **on July 1, 2023.**

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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.