House Bill 4163

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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 **as introduced.** The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act requires HECC to create a grant program for college access and success. The Act sets the criteria for a grant to be given. (Flesch Readability Score: 79.0).

Requires the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to establish a grant program for the purpose of supporting organizations to expand the scope and community reach of college access and success programs. Details the eligibility criteria to receive a grant and the factors the commission must consider when awarding grants.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall establish a grant program for the purpose of supporting organizations to expand the scope and community reach of college access and success programs.
 - (2) In order to be eligible to receive a grant under this section, an organization must:
 - (a) Be a not-for-profit corporation that is tax exempt under section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code;
 - (b) Be a community-based organization; or
 - (c) Be a public institution of higher education as defined in ORS 350.260.
 - (3) In awarding grants under this section, the commission shall consider:
 - (a) Whether an eligible organization has a demonstrated history of providing successful college access and success programs; and
 - (b) Whether an eligible organization has a demonstrated history of providing programs and services to populations that are historically underrepresented in post-secondary institutions of education.
 - (4) The commission shall adopt any rules necessary for the administration of this section, including any rules related to:
 - (a) Specifying the form and timelines for submitting an application for a grant under this section:
 - (b) Determining whether an organization is eligible for a grant under this section;
 - (c) Calculating the amount to award to grant recipients under this section; and
 - (d) Collecting data required to evaluate program effectiveness.

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