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While it is a great idea to pay teachers and their student teachers for the work that they do, what does “underrepresented background” mean? Does it use racial classifications such as those found in ORS 342.120? Prioritizing certain race(s) of people over others will most likely be found illegal under the 14th Amendment of the US Constitution. Government agencies using this definition will lose lawsuits, Civil Rights and BOLI complaints. If you’re not sure, copy and paste the following link:

<https://www.ed.gov/media/document/dear-colleague-letter-sffa-v-harvard-109506.pdf>