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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to educational programs for adults in custody; and declaring an emergency.

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall convene a group of stakeholders to conduct a study and develop recommendations on how to establish a coordinated, statewide approach to best serve adults currently in custody who are recently eligible to receive student grants under a federal program.

- (2) The group of stakeholders must include representatives of:
- (a) Community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341;
- (b) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002;
- (c) Students enrolled at community colleges and public universities listed in ORS 352.002;
- (d) Faculty employed at community colleges and public universities listed in ORS 352.002;
- (e) Advocates for prison education;
- (f) Adults currently and formerly in custody;
- (g) The Department of Corrections; and

(h) Any other entity that the commission determines would improve the quality of the study and recommendations developed under this section.

(3) The stakeholder group shall provide the results and recommendations of the study in a report that may include recommendations for legislation, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly responsible for higher education no later than December 31, 2021.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on June 30, 2022.

<u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.

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