

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 851**

Ordered by the Senate April 16  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 16

Sponsored by Senator GORSEK

**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 provide grants to nonprofits providing affordable housing to university students. Appropriates moneys from General Fund for grants. Requires commission to report on grants to appropriate interim committee of Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2023.

Sunsets January 2, 2024.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to housing assistance for university students; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall provide grants to**  
5 **nonprofit corporations to develop or operate affordable rental housing targeted to individuals**  
6 **who attend a public university listed in ORS 352.002 and who are experiencing homelessness**  
7 **or are at risk of homelessness.**

8 **SECTION 2. No later than September 15, 2023, the Higher Education Coordinating Com-**  
9 **mission shall provide a report to an appropriate interim committee of the Legislative As-**  
10 **sembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245 on the grants provided under section 1 of this**  
11 **2021 Act.**

12 **SECTION 3. Sections 1 and 2 of this 2021 Act are repealed on January 2, 2024.**

13 **SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**  
14 **ated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1,**  
15 **2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$280,000, to provide grants under section 1 of**  
16 **this 2021 Act.**

17 **SECTION 5. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
18 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect**  
19 **on July 1, 2021.**

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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.