

Requested by JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 129**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 3, after the semicolon delete the rest
2 of the line and insert “amending ORS 342.127; and declaring an
3 emergency.”.

4 Delete lines 5 through 25 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

5 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 342.127 is amended to read:

6 “342.127. (1) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall es-
7 tablish and collect:

8 “(a) A fee not to exceed \$350 for evaluation of the initial application for
9 each educator license for which application is made. If the applicant is eli-
10 gible for the educator license for which application is made, the commission
11 shall issue the license without additional charge.

12 “(b) A fee not to exceed \$350 for the renewal of each educator license and
13 a fee not to exceed \$50 for each official paper license. If the educator is
14 certified by a national professional organization for teaching standards re-
15 cognized by the commission, the commission shall renew the license without
16 charge.

17 “(c) A fee not to exceed \$800 for a beginning educator assessment con-
18 ducted in lieu of an approved preparation program required for licensure.

19 “(d) A fee not to exceed \$350 for registration as a public charter school
20 teacher or administrator that includes any fee charged pursuant to rules
21 adopted under ORS 181A.195.

1 “(e) A fee not to exceed \$350 for renewal of a registration as a public
2 charter school teacher or administrator that includes any fee charged pur-
3 suant to rules adopted under ORS 181A.195.

4 “(2) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
5 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
6 to exceed \$150 for the evaluation of an applicant requesting licensing based
7 upon completion of an educator preparation program other than an Oregon
8 approved educator preparation program.

9 “(3) In addition to the fees required by subsection (1) of this section, the
10 commission shall collect a late application fee not to exceed \$40 per month
11 up to a maximum of \$200 from an applicant who fails to make timely appli-
12 cation for renewal of the license or registration. The actual amount of the
13 fee shall be determined in accordance with rules of the commission.

14 “(4) In addition to the fees required by subsection (1) of this section, the
15 commission shall collect a late application fee not to exceed \$350 for the
16 reinstatement of an expired license. The requirements for reinstatement and
17 the actual amount of the fee shall be determined in accordance with rules
18 of the commission.

19 “(5) Notwithstanding the expiration date posted on the license, the license
20 shall continue to be valid for an additional 120 days, provided the educator
21 has made a timely application, as determined by the commission, for renewal
22 prior to the expiration date on the license.

23 “(6) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
24 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
25 to exceed [~~\$300~~] **\$1,000** for the reinstatement of a license that has been sus-
26 pended or revoked by the commission for gross neglect of duty or gross un-
27 fitness under ORS 342.175.

28 “(7) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
29 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
30 to exceed \$200 for the issuance of any license through an expedited process

1 under ORS 342.125 (6) at the request of any school district, public charter
2 school or education service district that seeks to employ the applicant. The
3 fee shall be paid by the school district, public charter school or education
4 service district.

5 **“(8)(a) The commission shall establish and collect:**

6 **“(A) A fee for each approved educator preparation provider, based**
7 **on the number of license applications received by the commission from**
8 **the provider; and**

9 **“(B) A fee for each approved educator preparation provider, based**
10 **on the type of educator preparation programs that the provider offers.**

11 **“(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, the commis-**
12 **sion may establish and collect a flat fee for the purposes described in**
13 **paragraph (a) of this subsection if the number of teacher applicants**
14 **enrolled in the educator preparation programs offered by the educator**
15 **preparation provider does not exceed a number identified by the com-**
16 **mission by rule.**

17 **“(c) The method for determining the fee and the actual amount of**
18 **the fee imposed under this subsection shall be determined in accord-**
19 **ance with rules of the commission.**

20 **“[(8)] (9) Fees established under this section shall cover, but not exceed,**
21 **the full cost of administrative expenses incurred by the commission during**
22 **any biennium.**

23 **“SECTION 2. (1) The amendments to ORS 342.127 by section 1 of this**
24 **2021 Act become operative on January 1, 2022.**

25 **“(2) The amendments to ORS 342.127 by section 1 of this 2021 Act**
26 **apply to any license reinstated on or after January 1, 2022.**

27 **“SECTION 3. The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission**
28 **shall report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly re-**
29 **lated to education no later than March 1, 2022. The report must be**
30 **related to the fees established and collected as authorized by ORS**

1 **342.127, as amended by section 1 of this 2021 Act.**

2 **“SECTION 4.** ORS 342.127, as amended by section 1 of this 2021 Act, is
3 amended to read:

4 “342.127. (1) The Teacher Standards and Practices Commission shall es-
5 tablish and collect:

6 “(a) A fee not to exceed \$350 for evaluation of the initial application for
7 each educator license for which application is made. If the applicant is eli-
8 gible for the educator license for which application is made, the commission
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11 a fee not to exceed \$50 for each official paper license. If the educator is
12 certified by a national professional organization for teaching standards re-
13 cognized by the commission, the commission shall renew the license without
14 charge.

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16 ducted in lieu of an approved preparation program required for licensure.

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21 charter school teacher or administrator that includes any fee charged pur-
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23 “(2) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
24 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
25 to exceed \$150 for the evaluation of an applicant requesting licensing based
26 upon completion of an educator preparation program other than an Oregon
27 approved educator preparation program.

28 “(3) In addition to the fees required by subsection (1) of this section, the
29 commission shall collect a late application fee not to exceed \$40 per month
30 up to a maximum of \$200 from an applicant who fails to make timely appli-

1 cation for renewal of the license or registration. The actual amount of the
2 fee shall be determined in accordance with rules of the commission.

3 “(4) In addition to the fees required by subsection (1) of this section, the
4 commission shall collect a late application fee not to exceed \$350 for the
5 reinstatement of an expired license. The requirements for reinstatement and
6 the actual amount of the fee shall be determined in accordance with rules
7 of the commission.

8 “(5) Notwithstanding the expiration date posted on the license, the license
9 shall continue to be valid for an additional 120 days, provided the educator
10 has made a timely application, as determined by the commission, for renewal
11 prior to the expiration date on the license.

12 “(6) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
13 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
14 to exceed \$1,000 for the reinstatement of a license that has been suspended
15 or revoked by the commission for gross neglect of duty or gross unfitness
16 under ORS 342.175.

17 “(7) In addition to the fee required by subsection (1) of this section for
18 the issuance of an educator license, the commission shall collect a fee not
19 to exceed \$200 for the issuance of any license through an expedited process
20 under ORS 342.125 (6) at the request of any school district, public charter
21 school or education service district that seeks to employ the applicant. The
22 fee shall be paid by the school district, public charter school or education
23 service district.

24 “[*(8)(a) The commission shall establish and collect:*]

25 “[*(A) A fee for each approved educator preparation provider, based on the*
26 *number of license applications received by the commission from the provider;*
27 *and]*

28 “[*(B) A fee for each approved educator preparation provider, based on the*
29 *type of educator preparation programs that the provider offers.]*

30 “[*(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, the commission may*

1 *establish and collect a flat fee for the purposes described in paragraph (a) of*
2 *this subsection if the number of teacher applicants enrolled in the educator*
3 *preparation programs offered by the educator preparation provider does not*
4 *exceed a number identified by the commission by rule.]*

5 *“(c) The method for determining the fee and the actual amount of the fee*
6 *imposed under this subsection shall be determined in accordance with rules*
7 *of the commission.]*

8 *“[(9)] (8) Fees established under this section shall cover, but not exceed,*
9 *the full cost of administrative expenses incurred by the commission during*
10 *any biennium.*

11 **“SECTION 5. The amendments to ORS 342.127 by section 4 of this**
12 **2021 Act become operative on January 1, 2026.**

13 **“SECTION 6. Any moneys in the National Board Certification Fund**
14 **on June 30, 2021, that are unexpended, unobligated and not subject to**
15 **any conditions shall be transferred to the Teacher Standards and**
16 **Practices Commission Account.**

17 **“SECTION 7. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate**
18 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**
19 **declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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