

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3178

Ordered by the House March 31
Including House Amendments dated March 31

Sponsored by Representative HUDSON; Representative VALDERRAMA

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.

[Expands criteria for awarding scholarships to diverse teacher candidates.] **Increases amount of scholarships that may be awarded by Higher Education Coordinating Commission to diverse teacher candidates. Defines "teacher candidate."**

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to scholarships for diverse teacher candidates; amending ORS 348.295.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 348.295, as amended by section 4, chapter 44, Oregon Laws 2022, is amended
5 to read:

6 348.295. (1) In addition to any other form of student financial aid authorized by law, the Higher
7 Education Coordinating Commission may award scholarships to culturally and linguistically diverse
8 teacher candidates to use at approved educator preparation providers, as defined in ORS 342.120, for
9 the purpose of advancing the goal described in ORS 342.437 (1)(a).

10 (2) Scholarships awarded under this section shall be in amounts of [*\$10,000*] **\$12,000** each aca-
11 demic year, for a maximum of two academic years.

12 (3) The commission shall adopt rules necessary for the implementation and administration of this
13 section in consultation with the Educator Advancement Council and the Department of Education.

14 **(4) As used in this section:**

15 **(a) "Teacher candidate" means an individual who is preparing to be a teacher or other**
16 **school professional licensed, registered or certified by the Teacher Standards and Practices**
17 **Commission.**

18 **(b) "Teacher candidate" does not mean an individual who is preparing to be an adminis-**
19 **trator.**

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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.