

HB 3200 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

This measure directs the Oregon Department of Education to allocate \$10 million from the Fund for Student Success to the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on July 1, 2025.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Impacts of the scholarship on multicultural and linguistically diverse teachers.
- Eligibility requirements for the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program.
- Amendment changing the funding source from the Fund for student Success to the Statewide Education Initiatives Account.

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 The amendment changes the source of funding from the Fund for Student Success to the Statewide Education Initiatives Account.

BACKGROUND:

In 2017, [Senate Bill 182](#) established the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program which awarded \$5,000 to culturally diverse or linguistically diverse teacher candidates each year for two academic years. In 2023, [House Bill 5043](#) increased the award to \$12,000 each year for two academic years.

According to the [Educator Advancement Council](#), between 2018 and 2024, the Oregon Teacher Scholars Program awarded scholarships to 838 participants, totalling \$6,885,014. The program is administered by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.