## **A-Engrossed** House Bill 2747

Ordered by the House March 28 Including House Amendments dated March 28

Sponsored by Representatives HUDSON, LEVY B; Representative YUNKER (Presession filed.)

## 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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

## Digest: The Act would tell the DOC to provide some adults in custody access to some online education. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).

[Digest: The Act would tell the DOC to provide all adults in custody access to some online education. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).] Requires the Department of Corrections to provide adults in custody at [all] certain department

institutions access to specific online educational programs.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to adults in custody; creating new provisions; amending ORS 421.074; and declaring an 2

3 emergency.

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Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon: 4

SECTION 1. ORS 421.074 is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 421. 5

SECTION 2. ORS 421.074 is amended to read: 6

421.074. (1) No later than September 1, [2023] 2026, the Department of Corrections shall ensure 7 8 that adults in custody in the Coffee Creek Correctional Facility, [and] the Snake River Correctional

Institution, the Oregon State Correctional Institution, the Eastern Oregon Correctional In-9

10 stitution and the Deer Ridge Correctional Institution have online access to:

(a) The adult basic skills development program described in ORS 421.084; 11

12(b) The professional and technical program described in ORS 421.081; and

(c) Education programs that provide college credit, a college degree, a college certification, an 13 industry-recognized certification or license or an apprenticeship. 14

15(2) Nothing in this section establishes a legally enforceable right to online access to the programs described in this section for adults in custody. 16

17 (3) The department shall adopt any rules necessary for establishing program eligibility and participation criteria for online access for adults in custody. 18

SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-19 ated to the Department of Corrections, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the 20General Fund, the amount of \$4,955,957, to ensure adults in custody at the Oregon State 21Correctional Institution, the Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution and the Deer Ridge 22

23Correctional Institution have online access to the programs described in ORS 421.074.

SECTION 4. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 24peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect 25

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- 1 on its passage.
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