

# Senate Bill 196

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## 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 **as introduced**.

Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to ensure that any policy adopted by public institution of higher education for determining whether part-time faculty members are eligible for health care benefits use aggregate total of hours worked by faculty member at all public institutions of higher education.

Provides that part-time faculty member who qualifies for health care benefits will pay 10 percent of insurance premiums, with remaining 90 percent paid by state.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to employees at public institutions of higher education; amending ORS 350.355.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 350.355 is amended to read:

5 350.355. (1) Subject to ORS 352.237 and any group health and welfare insurance benefit plan  
6 developed under ORS 352.237, a part-time faculty member at a public institution of higher education  
7 is eligible for the same health care benefits as full-time faculty members if the part-time faculty  
8 member is eligible for membership in the Public Employees Retirement System or another plan au-  
9 thorized under ORS chapter 238 or 238A by teaching either at a single public institution of higher  
10 education or in aggregate at multiple public institutions of higher education during the prior year.

11 **(2) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall review each policy adopted by**  
12 **an institution of higher education to determine the benefits received under subsection (1) of**  
13 **this section to ensure that the aggregate total of hours worked by a part-time faculty**  
14 **member at two or more public institutions of higher education are used when determining**  
15 **whether a part-time faculty member meets the eligibility requirements.**

16 [(2)] **(3) A part-time faculty member at a public institution of higher education shall pay [all]**  
17 **10 percent of the insurance premiums for health care benefits, with the remaining 90 percent**  
18 **of the insurance premiums paid by the state out of funds appropriated to the Higher Edu-**  
19 **cation Coordinating Commission by the Legislative Assembly [unless otherwise provided for by**  
20 **the policy of the institution or by collective bargaining at the institution].**

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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.