Senate Bill 1029

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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.

Prohibits State Board of Higher Education from increasing or adopting new programmatic resource fees until board performs prescribed duties. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2007.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to higher education fees; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "programmatic resource fee" means a fee as-4 $\mathbf{5}$ sessed to students enrolled in specific programs to provide funds for faculty, resource ma-6 terials, equipment and specialized services.

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(2) The State Board of Higher Education shall:

8 (a) Study the impact of differential tuition on different groups of students. The board

9 shall report information gathered through the study to the Emergency Board prior to Octo-10 ber 1, 2008.

11 (b) Create a committee at each state institution of higher education to recommend a 12process and criteria for increases to existing programmatic resource fees and for the creation of new programmatic resource fees. The committee shall consist of representatives of 13 14 administration, students and faculty.

(c) Make information regarding programmatic resource fees available on the World Wide 15Web and in print materials at the same time information about tuition and other fees is 16 17 made available.

18 (d) Include the cost of programmatic resource fees in the cost of education.

(e) Set aside and distribute fee remission money for students who can show that 19 20 programmatic resource fees create a financial hardship.

21(3) Notwithstanding ORS 351.070, the board may not increase any programmatic resource fee above the amount of the fee on the effective date of this 2007 Act or adopt a new 22 23 programmatic resource fee that does not exist on the effective date of this 2007 Act until the 24 board completes the duties required by subsection (2) of this section.

25 SECTION 2. This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 26 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect 27July 1, 2007.

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