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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.

[Directs State Board of Higher Education and community college district boards to permit Oregon residents 65 years of age or older to audit courses without paying instructional fees at any state institution of higher education or community college.]

Requires state institutions of higher education and community colleges to waive tuition for any course audited by Oregon residents 65 years of age or older in specified circumstances.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to auditing higher education courses.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The State Board of Higher Education shall direct each state institution**
5 **of higher education to waive tuition for any course audited by an Oregon resident 65 years**
6 **of age or older if:**

7 (a) **Space is available in the course for additional students to register after degree-**
8 **seeking students have registered;**

9 (b) **The department in which the course is being taught approves; and**

10 (c) **The auditing student is registered for eight credits or fewer per term.**

11 (2) **A state institution of higher education may charge the student attending under sub-**
12 **section (1) of this section fees associated with the course being audited.**

13 (3) **A state institution of higher education may develop rules for implementation of this**
14 **section, including rules relating to registration, admission and fees.**

15 **SECTION 2. (1) The board of education of a community college district shall direct each**
16 **community college under its control to waive tuition for any course audited by an Oregon**
17 **resident 65 years of age or older if:**

18 (a) **Space is available in the course for additional students to register after tuition-paying**
19 **students have registered;**

20 (b) **The department in which the course is being taught approves;**

21 (c) **The auditing student is registered for eight credits or fewer per term; and**

22 (d) **The course is a lower-division collegiate course.**

23 (2) **Each community college may charge the student attending under subsection (1) of**
24 **this section fees associated with the course being audited.**

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.

1 **(3) The board of education of a community college district may develop rules for imple-**
2 **mentation of this section, including rules relating to registration, admission and fees.**

3 **SECTION 3.** **The provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this 2009 Act shall first apply to courses**
4 **offered in the 2010-2011 academic year.**

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