
MEMORANDUM

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To: *Education Subcommittee*

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Date: June 10, 2013

Subject: *SB 102*
Work Session

Senate Bill 102 revises the fee structure for schools requiring approval of Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to confer or offer to confer academic degree or provide services leading to degree. Declares emergency, effective on passage

The measure had a public hearing in this Subcommittee on May 8, 2013.

The Work Session packet, including measure, staff measure summary, and fiscal impact statement are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS). The measure has no revenue impact and a fiscal impact.

Motion #1: Move the SB 102 to the full committee with a “do pass” recommendation.

Chair to assign carriers:

Full: _____

House: _____

Senate: _____

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: SB 102**Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session
Legislative Fiscal Office**Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official**Prepared by: Tim Walker
Reviewed by: Doug Wilson
Date: 06/06/2013**Measure Description:**

Revises fee structure for schools requiring approval of Higher Education Coordinating Commission to confer or offer to confer academic degree or provide services leading to degree.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Oregon Student Assistance Commission (OSAC)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund	-\$117,060	
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds	441,981	488,957
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$324,921	\$488,957
Positions	2	2
FTE	1.50	1.50

Summary of Revenue Impact

	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund		
Lottery Funds	543,000	543,000
Other Funds		
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$543,000	\$543,000

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis: This bill revises fee structure for schools requiring approval of Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to confer or offer to confer academic degree or provide services leading to degree. The revised fee structure is anticipated to an additional \$543,000 in Other Funds revenue per biennium. The Governor's budget anticipates two additional positions (1.50 FTE) within the Office of Degree Authorization, one Program Analyst 1 and one Office Specialist 1 to address increased workload.

	Current Fee	Proposed Fee
Evaluation of degree program:		
Doctorate	\$5,635	\$4,000
Master's	\$4,250	\$4,000
Bachelor's	\$4,250	\$4,000
Associate's	\$2,815	\$3,000
Evaluation of Certificate/Diploma program	\$1,025	\$2,000
Evaluation of application for religious exemption	up to \$2,125	\$1,000
Evaluation of Oregon Campus operations and student services plus ongoing oversight and on-demand technical assistance.	None	\$1,000/\$2,000
Evaluation of request for approval of program change	None	up to \$500
Evaluation of new faculty/executive staff qualifications	None	\$50/\$100
Evaluation of out-of-state school:		
Online w/o placement per school	\$250	\$1,000
Online with placement per program	\$500	\$1,000

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep.
Carrier – Senate: Sen.

Revenue:

Fiscal:

Action:

Vote:

House

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

Prepared By: Tim Walker, Legislative Fiscal Office

Meeting Date: [Full Committee Meeting Date]

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Revises fee structure for schools requiring approval of Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to confer or offer to confer academic degree or provide services leading to degree. Declares emergency, effective on passage

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

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EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The bill relates to the Office of Degree Authorization (ODA), which since July 1, 2012 has been operated under the authority of the HECC. The measure attempts to address the significant issue of ensuring that ODA has the flexibility and funding to fulfill its important responsibilities under law.