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SUMMARY

Directs Oregon Education Investment Board, Oregon University System and Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to propose “Pay Forward, Pay Back” pilot program to replace current system of tuition and fees required to attend institution of higher education. Sets criteria for pilot program proposal.

Requires proposal to be submitted to Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly for approval.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Pay Forward, Pay Back pilot program; and declaring an emer-
3 gency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Education Investment Board, Oregon**
6 **University System and Department of Community Colleges and**
7 **Workforce Development shall jointly create a proposed pilot program**
8 **called “Pay Forward, Pay Back.” The pilot program shall be designed**
9 **to replace the current system of charging students tuition and fees for**
10 **enrollment at institutions of higher education. The proposal shall**
11 **identify one or more institutions of higher education to participate in**
12 **the pilot program.**

13 **(2) The proposed pilot program shall be submitted to the Seventy-**
14 **eighth Legislative Assembly for approval.**

15 **(3) The pilot program shall:**

16 **(a) Allow students who are residents of this state, as defined by the**
17 **institution, and who qualify for admission to the institution to enroll**

1 in the institution without paying tuition or fees.

2 (b) Provide that, in lieu of paying tuition or fees, students must
3 sign binding contracts to pay to the State of Oregon or the institution
4 a certain percentage of the student's annual adjusted gross income
5 upon graduation from the institution for a specified number of years.

6 (4) The pilot program may vary by institution depending on:

7 (a) The total cost of education at the institution.

8 (b) The portion of the cost that is paid by the State of Oregon.

9 (c) The number of years specified in the contract.

10 (d) The percentage of adjusted gross income specified in the con-
11 tract.

12 (5) The pilot program shall be uniformly applied at each partic-
13 ipating institution.

14 (6) The pilot program proposal shall specify the number of years
15 and the percentage of annual adjusted gross income for contracts at
16 each participating institution and base the specifications on research
17 to date.

18 (7) The proposal shall establish an immediate funding source for the
19 first 15 to 20 years of the pilot program and must include the estab-
20 lishment of a revolving fund to deposit payments made under the pilot
21 program.

22 SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2013 Act is repealed on June 30, 2015.

23 SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-
24 ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-
25 clared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.

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