

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure
Vote: 5 - 0 - 0
Yeas: Beyer, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan, Hass
Nays: 0
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 3/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Expands definition of “agent” for purpose of career schools. Clarifies agent is employed by or under contract to career school for purpose of actively procuring students. Requires schools to issue identification, and registered agents to possess identification when engaged as agent of career school.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Currently only an employee of a career school is considered an agent
- Current definition excludes independent contractors, including firms engaging in technology-based recruiting for the career school
- Term “agent” to apply only to employees or contractors actively procuring students for a career school

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Current statute defines agents of career schools as persons registered with the Oregon Department of Education, and employed by a school for the purpose of recruiting students. Advancements in technology have expanded recruitment methods to third-party websites. House Bill 2191-A expands the definition of agent, and clarifies the state’s position and understanding of technology-based recruitment as it relates to school agents.