

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass with Amendments to the A-Engrossed Measure. (Printed B-Engrossed) and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Beyer, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan, Hass

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/28

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires all institutions of higher education operating in Oregon to provide students with fact sheets regarding educational value, school performance and financial cost prior to enrollment. Regulates advertising and solicitation of students by institutions of higher education. Specifies standards for data and rates provided. Requires annual report to Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Desired goal of measure as an “apples to apples” comparison of education options
- Work group review of several similar measures
- Data currently available, limited in some cases to national statistics
- Amendment as addressing concern with timeline for effective implementation

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes emergency clause; delays start date; makes changes to text aimed at clarification and more feasible implementation of the requirements of the measure.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 3079-B requires institutions of higher education to provide prospective students with information regarding the total cost of educational programs and prospects for future employment. The measure specifies data to be included in fact sheets and requires the institutions to submit them to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for posting on-line.