

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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

**Revenue:** Revenue statement issued

**Fiscal:** Fiscal statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and be Printed B-Engrossed

**Vote:** 22 – 1 – 3

House

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Freeman, Hanna, Huffman, Jenson, Komp, Nathanson, Read, Richardson, Smith, Tomei, Williamson

Nays:

Exc: McLane

Senate

Yeas: Devlin, Edwards, Hansell, Johnson, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Whitsett, Winters

Nays: Girod

Exc: Bates, Thomsen

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**Meeting Date:** June 28, 2013

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Establishes institutional boards for University of Oregon and Portland State University. Establishes timeframe in which Oregon State University may elect to establish institutional board. Vests institutional boards with specified duties and rights. Details composition requirements of institutional boards. Establishes process by which other universities in Oregon University System may similarly establish institutional boards. Allows universities with an institutional board to issue revenue bonds. Establishes Special Committee on Regional and Technical Universities. Establishes Work Group on University Shared Services. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Fiscal impact
- Proposed amendment

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Clarifies the Governor’s role in the board appointment process and clarifies the Special Committee will be considering questions related the future academic coordination of the seven universities.

**BACKGROUND:** Senate Bill 242 (2011) redefined the Oregon University System (OUS) as a public university system. House Bill 4061 (2012) created the Joint Special Committee on University Governance (the Committee). The Committee was tasked with reviewing, analyzing, and discussing, “issues surrounding governance within the higher education system including establishment of institutional boards for Oregon’s public universities.” The Committee met ten times between April and September of 2012, and on October 4, 2012 voted unanimously to forward its recommendations as represented in legislative concept draft (LC 759, dated 10/4/12) for consideration by the 2013 Legislative Assembly. Senate Bill 270 reflects these recommendations.