

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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

Revenue: Revenue statement issued

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass the B-Engrossed Measure with Amendments to Resolve Conflicts and be Printed C-Engrossed

Vote: 25 – 0 – 1

House

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

Nays:

Exc: Frederick

Senate

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

Nays:

Exc:

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Meeting Date: July 6, 2013

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: Resolves conflicts.

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.