Senate Concurrent Resolution 2

Sponsored by Senator HASS; Representative JOHNSON (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Encourages international education activities in this state.

1	CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	Whereas a vibrant economy for Oregon depends on the movement of goods, services, knowledge
3	and people; and
4	Whereas an educated population that engages with and understands different cultures, lan-
5	guages and perspectives brings diversity and opportunities to this state; and
6	Whereas international education provides the vehicle for preparing students in Oregon and
7	students from around the world to build institutional and personal relationships that lead to greater
8	understanding and cultural competency; and
9	Whereas Oregon's schools, community colleges, public and private universities and communities
10	benefit from the presence of international students in this state; and
11	Whereas the National Association of Foreign Student Affairs: Association of International Ed-
12	ucators calculates financial contributions by international students of \$274 million to the Oregon
13	economy in 2010-2011; and
14	Whereas the goodwill and good relationships developed between individuals and institutions as
15	a result of engagement have long-lasting and incalculable dividends; and
16	Whereas educating Oregon students in foreign languages, area studies and cultural competen-
17	cies should be the responsibility of every educational institution in this state; and
18	Whereas international education programs should be made as accessible to as many students in
19	Oregon as possible through cost efficiencies and financial support; and
20	Whereas students in this state should be encouraged to participate in meaningful international
21	education programs that elevate their understanding of languages, cultures, perspectives and their
22	chosen disciplines; now, therefore,
23	Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:
24	That we, the members of the Seventy-seventh Legislative Assembly, encourage and recommend
25	that students and faculty in this state participate in international education activities; and be it
26	further
27	Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of the State Board of Higher
28	Education, to the Governor, to the Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction, to each president
29	of public and private universities in this state and to each member of the Oregon Innovation Coun-
30	cil.
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