
MEMORANDUM

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To: *Capital Construction Subcommittee*

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Subject: *HB 4018*
Work Session

This bill allows the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to participate in the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) and to impose a fee on educational institutions in the Oregon that elect to join SARA through the HECC. In addition, the bill transfers the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD) to the HECC, establishes a task force to develop recommendations for integrating CCWD into HECC, and changes the schedule by which Eastern Oregon University, Southern Oregon University, Western Oregon University and the Oregon Institute of Technology may convert to local governing boards.

The Work Session packet, including measure, amendment, and fiscal impact statement are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS). The measure has no revenue impact and a fiscal impact.

Amendment

The –A9 amendment makes changes to the requirements for EOU, WOU, SOU, and OIT to declare their intent to have independent boards, how the boards may be revoked in the future, and moves the deadline for this declaration to May 15, 2014 from June 1, 2014. The amendment also allows the universities with governing boards to act as a central bank as OUS currently does. This will allow the State Board of Higher Education and universities with governing boards to co-mingle their funds in the Treasury and allows for borrowing and lending among these funds.

Motion #1: Move the –A9 amendment to HB 4018.

Measure as Modified

The measure, as amended, is recommended to be moved to the full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

Motion #2: Move HB 4018 to the full committee with a “do pass” recommendation, as amended.

Chair to assign carriers:

Full: _____

House: _____

Senate: _____