

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

CARRIER:

Senate Committee on Education

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, statement not yet issued**FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued****Action:****Vote:****Yeas:****Nays:****Exc.:****Prepared By:** Gretchen Engbring, Administrator**Meeting Dates:** 2/17, 2/19

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires out-of-state schools obtain approval from Higher Education Coordinating Commission for educational credit or degree offered within Oregon unless party to interstate agreement. Authorizes Higher Education Coordinating Commission to charge \$7,000 biennial fee for review and oversight of out-of-state schools not party to interstate agreement and \$1,000 for each new program application. Authorizes Higher Education Coordinating Commission to charge out-of-state schools \$1,000 fee if offering practicums or internships in Oregon, unless program is part of online course. Allows Higher Education Coordinating Commission to waive fee for one-time placements or residents returning for practicums or internships. Authorizes Higher Education Coordinating Commission to charge fee up to \$1,000 for new program applications of career schools. Applies to applications, approval requests and fees imposed on or after September 1, 2015. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 242 (2011) established the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Senate Bill 218 proposes to revise the HECC's current fee structure for postsecondary institutions based outside of Oregon that are beginning operations or establishing new programs in the state. Senate Bill 218 also authorizes the imposition of fees for new program applications from existing career schools and for out-of-state institutions offering practicums or internships in Oregon.