

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, 4/9

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to determine definitions for employee categories at post-secondary education institutions by February 1, 2016. Specifies categories to be defined. Requires community colleges and public universities to annually report specified employee data to commission. Requires commission to report employee data to Legislative Assembly by December 1 each year. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)
- Consistency and comparability of employees between different post-secondary education institutions
- Importance of employee data for transparency and oversight
- Administrative bloat
- Faculty serving multiple roles
- Significant differences between institutions, employee pools, roles and categories

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

-2 amendments (proposed) replace measure. Require HECC to convene work group to determine method for public universities and community colleges to report relevant employment data in consistent and detailed manner. Require work group's determination to include recommendations regarding when and how often data is to be provided to HECC, and when HECC is to provide data to Legislative Assembly. Sunsets work group June 30, 2017. Requires HECC to use data from national data collection system to compile report that details the number of faculty and staff at each public university and community college. Specifies what report shall include. Requires report by December 1, 2015.

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 113 requires HECC to define employee categories at post-secondary institutions and requires community colleges and public universities to annually submit reports to the commission on their employee data. Currently, reporting on employees at public universities and community colleges is regulated by ORS 351.708 and 351.711, which Senate Bill 113 proposes to repeal.