78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: HB 2408 A

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Education

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Vote:

Yeas: Nays: Exc.:

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Meeting Dates: 4/30

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes name of Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development within Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Changes title of Commissioner of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to Director of Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development. Changes name of Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development Account to Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development Account. Transfers rulemaking authority and designation as recipient of appropriations from Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to Higher Education Coordinating Commission. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2015.

CARRIER:

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND: Under House Bill 3120 (2013), the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) assumed policymaking authority for the community colleges from the State Board of Education as of July 1, 2014. Each of Oregon's 17 community colleges is governed by a locally elected board. The Department of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD) has served as the center for support, research, and staffing for the collaborative work of the community colleges locally and statewide. House Bill 4018 (2014) established the Task Force on Integrating CCWD into the HECC. House Bill 2408-A contains the recommendations of that task force.