

SB 218

Relating to higher education program review

SB 218 requires that out-of-state schools receive approval from the Higher Education Coordinating Commission before offering any education credit or degree within Oregon.

To support this process, four new fees are established as follows:

- 1) A \$7,000 biannual fee for full review and oversight of each online school.
- 2) A \$1,000 for review of each new program application that was not offered at the time of the online school's initial application.
- 3) A \$1,000 per program that places students in a practicum or internship based in Oregon.
- 4) Up to \$1,000 for each new program application not offered at the time of the career school's initial application.

These fees are anticipated to generate additional revenue in the amount of \$567,000 Other Funds in the 2015-17 biennium, which will support the addition of one new Educational Specialist 2 position (0.70 FTE).

These fees have been assumed in the Higher Education Coordinating Commission budget bill (HB 5024).

The Education Subcommittee recommends SB 218 be reported out do pass.