Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 113 A

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee On Education

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued **Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/09/15

Action: Do Pass With Amendments And Requesting Referral To Ways And Means.

(Printed A-Engrossed.)

Meeting Dates: 02/17, 02/19, 04/09

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Baertschiger Jr, Beyer, Knopp, Kruse, Roblan

Exc: 2 - Gelser, Hass

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to convene work group to determine method for public universities and community colleges to report relevant employment data in consistent and detailed manner. Requires work group 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. 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. Sunsets work group June 30, 2017. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Integrated Post-secondary Education Data System (IPEDS)
- Uniformity and comparability of employees between different post-secondary education institutions
- Importance of employee data for transparency and oversight
- Concern with ability to monitor administrative bloat
- Faculty serving multiple roles
- Significant differences between institutions regarding employee roles and categorization

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 351.708 regulates the review of employees at public universities and community colleges, while ORS 351.711 regulates reporting on employees and supervisory employees at public universities. Senate Bill 113-A requires the HECC to convene a work group to determine a method for public universities and community colleges to report relevant employment data in a consistent and detailed manner for categories, including: full and part-time faculty, graduate faculty, full and part-time classified employees, full and part-time nonteaching professional staff, full and part-time supervisory employees, and full and part-time management staff. The bill further requires the HECC to report the findings, and use data available from a national post-secondary data collection system within the U.S. Department of Education (e.g., IPEDS) to compile a report that details the number of faculty and staff at each public university and community college.