

Senate Bill 80

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Clarifies that governing boards of universities with governing board are included in list of entities that must continue to provide and improve upon effective articulation and transfer framework for students in Oregon's post-secondary sectors.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to higher education governance; amending ORS 348.900.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 348.900 is amended to read:

5 348.900. (1) The Employment Department, in consultation with health care industry employers,
6 shall perform a statewide and regional needs assessment for health care occupations to identify
7 emerging occupations and occupations for which there is high demand or a shortage of workers. The
8 assessment shall be performed as necessary on a periodic basis, as determined by the department,
9 in consultation with industry employers. To perform the needs assessment, the department may
10 consider any reliable data sources available to the department.

11 (2) Based on the needs assessment, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall inform
12 the community colleges, public universities listed in ORS 352.002, Oregon Health and Science Uni-
13 versity and health care industry employers of the identified statewide needs and invite the devel-
14 opment of health care education programs that are responsive to those needs.

15 (3) When approving health care education programs, the commission, the governing board of a
16 public university with a governing board listed in ORS 352.054 and the Oregon Health and Science
17 University Board of Directors shall use the statewide needs assessment to evaluate whether a pro-
18 gram fulfills statewide needs. If the commission or the board determines there is a statewide need,
19 the commission or the board shall facilitate the:

20 (a) Coordination of new health care education programs and existing health care education
21 programs that are similar to the new health care education programs to address the statewide need;
22 and

23 (b) Alignment of health care education programs relating to statewide access, student
24 transferability between programs, course articulation and common student learning outcomes for
25 health care education programs.

26 (4) In the development and approval of health care education programs, community colleges,
27 public universities, Oregon Health and Science University, the commission, the governing [*board*]
28 **boards** of [*a*] public [*university*] **universities** with a governing board listed in ORS 352.054 and the
29 Oregon Health and Science University Board of Directors shall consider issues related to statewide
30 access, student transferability between programs, course articulation and common student learning

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 outcomes for health care education programs. The community colleges, public universities, Oregon
2 Health and Science University, [*and*] **governing boards of public universities with a governing**
3 **board and** commission shall continue to provide and improve upon an effective articulation and
4 transfer framework for students in Oregon's post-secondary sectors.

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