

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 4076 - A

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Measure Description:

Directs Office of Student Access and Completion to provide support services to enable students to be successful in Oregon Promise program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Higher Education Coordinating Commission, community colleges

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
General Fund (SPA)	-\$2,500,000	
General Fund (HECC)	2,500,000	
Total Funds	\$0	\$0

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

The bill redistributes \$2.50 million of the \$6.87 million special purpose appropriation to the Emergency Board for Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) funding for college readiness and accelerated learning to be distributed equitably among the community colleges for the purpose of providing support services to enable students to be successful in the Oregon Promise program.

The bill further clarifies that Oregon Promise eligibility is extended to students completing grade 12 at a private or parochial school in Oregon. The minimum cumulative grade point average is changed from 2.5 GPA to a GPA based on federal aid grant requirements. In addition, the bill requires persons who receive a grant under Oregon Promise to complete a first-year experience, as identified by the community college and reported by the community college to the commission. Each community college is directed to report to the HECC, no later than November 31, 2016, regarding the use of the moneys received. The HECC is required to submit a report that summarizes the distributions made to community colleges, no later than December 31, 2016, to the interim legislative committees on education.

With the exception of the \$2.5 million redirection of the special purpose appropriation for distribution to community colleges, costs to the HECC associated with changes to Oregon Promise are anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within the existing parameters of the agency 2015-17 budget.