

SB 911 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

Meeting Dates: 4/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes the Indian Health Scholarship Program administered by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) beginning with the 2018-2019 academic year. Establishes program requirements. Appropriates an unspecified amount of money to HECC for the scholarship program. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2017.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

BACKGROUND:

Nine federally recognized tribes are located in Oregon. Tribal members can receive health care at clinics and hospitals operated by tribal governments or by the Indian Health Service. There are 14 facilities throughout the state. Senate Bill 911 provides scholarships to prospective health care providers that are members of federally recognized tribes.