

HB 2147 B* STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Johnson

Conference Committee on HB 2147

Action Date: 06/06/17

Action: Recommending the House concur in Senate amendments dated 05-03 and bill be further amended and repassed.

House Vote

Yeas: 3 - Alonso Leon, Johnson, Reardon

Senate Vote

Yeas: 3 - Gelser, Linthicum, Roblan

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires higher education institutions provide following information to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) annually: the number of Oregon high school graduates from each school district enrolled at institution and graduation rate at that institution for Oregon high school graduates from each school district. Requires HECC to submit information to the Oregon Department of Education (ODE). Requires ODE to provide information to school districts.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Inclusion of career schools in reporting requirements
- School district interest in high school graduates' post-secondary decisions

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Removes exemption for career schools from reporting requirements.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, student-specific data on post-secondary enrollment and graduation rates exists, but school districts typically do not have access to the information. The National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) is a national independent entity that maintains electronic student record data, partnering with post-secondary institutions and state agencies to collect and provide data about student enrollment and performance. NSC reports that approximately 90 percent of colleges and universities participate in their service. ODE currently provides NSC with student-specific information such as names and birth dates of Oregon high school graduates, and post-secondary institutions provide NSC student enrollment and graduation data. NSC then provides ODE the post-secondary information that assists the agency in its ability to track high school students following high school graduation. ODE currently produces a report that shows college attendance rates of Oregon high school graduates by school district. The agency also has data on which post-secondary institutions each Oregon high school graduate attends, but have not to date produced a publicly available report with that information.