

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2666

Ordered by the House April 12
Including House Amendments dated April 12

Sponsored by Representative NOSSE; Representative EVANS (Presession filed.)

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.

Gives community college recognized student government authority to establish process and allocate mandatory [*incidental*] **student-initiated** fees, subject to refusal under certain circumstances by board of education of community college district or president of community college.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to community college mandatory incidental fees.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2017 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 341.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "mandatory student-initiated fee" means a fee**
6 **that:**

7 (a) **Is initiated by the recognized student government of the community college;**

8 (b) **Students are required to pay in addition to tuition fees;**

9 (c) **Is collected by the board of the community college; and**

10 (d) **Is allocated by the recognized student government of the community college.**

11 (2) **The board for each community college shall collect mandatory student-initiated fees**
12 **upon the request of the recognized student government of the community college to the**
13 **president of the community college under a process established by the recognized student**
14 **government in consultation with the board. Mandatory student-initiated fees collected under**
15 **this section must be allocated by the recognized student government.**

16 (3) **If the recognized student government makes a request under subsection (2) of this**
17 **section for a new or increased mandatory student-initiated fee, the board may require a**
18 **campus referendum in which the student body votes on whether to approve the fee. If a**
19 **mandatory student-initiated fee is rejected by the student body in a referendum held under**
20 **this subsection, the recognized student government may not request another mandatory**
21 **student-initiated fee for the remainder of the academic year.**

22 (4) **A request for a mandatory student-initiated fee, use of the fee or decision to modify**
23 **an existing fee may be refused by the president if the president determines that:**

24 (a) **The recognized student government assessed or allocated the mandatory student-**
25 **initiated fee in violation of applicable local, state or federal law;**

26 (b) **The allocation conflicts with a preexisting contractual financial commitment;**

27 (c) **The total mandatory student-initiated fees budget would increase by a percentage that**
28 **is greater than the percentage increase in tuition and other fees approved by the board for**

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1 **the upcoming academic year; or**

2 **(d) The fee request is not advantageous to the cultural or physical development of stu-**
3 **dents.**

4 **(5) The recognized student government and the president shall seek to reach agreement**
5 **on any dispute involving mandatory student-initiated fees, if necessary with the aid of a**
6 **process established by the board, prior to a decision by the president.**

7 **(6) If an agreement is not reached, the decision of the president may be appealed to the**
8 **board, which will render a final decision prior to the adoption, use or modification of a**
9 **mandatory student-initiated fee.**

10 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2017 Act first applies to the 2018-2019 academic year.**

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