HB 3038 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes work study pilot program within Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to assist students attending Oregon State University or Western Oregon University in accessing work study financial aid. Requires HECC conduct a study on food insecurity and access to basic necessities for life among students attending post-secondary institutions in Oregon. Requires report be submitted to interim committee of Legislative Assembly before September 15, 2020. Appropriates \$450,000 out of General Fund beginning July 1, 2019 for work study program. Appropriates \$50,000 out of General Fund beginning July 1, 2019 for study conducted by HECC. Repeals work study on January 2, 2023. Repeals study on January 2, 2021. Declares emergency, takes effect on July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Federal work study is a federal financial aid work program providing students the opportunity to work on or off campus in part-time jobs with money paid for through the federal financial aid. Eligibility requires the student apply for financial aid through (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) FAFSA by January 31st of each year, and demonstrate enough financial need. Some states have funded a work study program that is entirely funded using state dollars, as opposed to federal aid.

