SB 312 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs Oregon public universities and community colleges to charge in-state tuition to non-resident Native American or Alaska Native students who graduated from an Oregon public or private high school. Applies to undergraduate and graduate students. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

In 2018-19, the average undergraduate tuition and fees for public universities was $10,111 (in-state) and $27,860 (nonresident). In 2017-18, the average tuition and fees for community colleges was $5,172 (resident) and $9,994 (nonresident, non-border states). In 2018, 888 Native American or Alaska Native (AI/AN) students were enrolled in Oregon public universities and 3,025 AI/AN students were enrolled in Oregon community colleges. The above AI/AN student numbers reflect students that have, and have not, graduated from an Oregon high school or are Oregon residents.

PRELIMINARY