

HB 2207 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Action Date: 03/21/19

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 8-0-0-0

Yeas: 8 - Evans, Findley, Lewis, Meek, Neron, Wallan, Wilde, Zika

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 3/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$1,526,167 from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for biennium beginning July 1, 2019, for distribution to Oregon Campus Resilience Consortium to implement emergency response, continuity, and recovery initiatives at post-secondary educational institutions in Oregon. Defines "post-secondary educational institution" as a public university, community college, Oregon Health and Science University, or a nonprofit private school authorized to confer academic degrees. Declares emergency, takes effect July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Product of the Oregon Campus Safety Work Group
- Collaboration rather than competition between higher education institutions
- Not all higher education institutions in Oregon have emergency operations plans
- Relationship between response, resilience, remediation, and recovery
- Coordination with local communities
- Reporting back to Legislative Assembly
- Funding sources at federal and state level

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND:

On October 1, 2015, a student at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg fatally shot an assistant professor and eight students in a classroom and injured eight others; after being wounded by police, the shooter killed himself. In 2016, Governor Brown convened the Oregon Campus Safety Work Group in response to the incident, tasking the work group to identify resource needs and potential state policies to create a coordinated strategy across the state's system of higher education, and to analyze practices and protocols in higher education institutions to maintain public safety and to prevent, prepare for, and effectively manage future response and recovery efforts for campus-wide crises or emergencies.