

HB 4160 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

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Meeting Dates: 2/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes Task Force on Student Success for Underrepresented Students in Higher Education (Task Force). Directs Task Force to visit public postsecondary institutions to meet with underrepresented students, including those: qualifying as underrepresented persons defined in ORS 342.120, qualifying as diverse as defined in ORS 342.433, from rural communities, from low-income families, and have physical disabilities or learning disabilities. Directs Task Force to develop student success policy proposals focusing on increasing the likelihood of success in higher education. Allows Task Force to precession file legislation for interim committees. Requires findings be reported no later than December 15, 2020 to the Legislative Assembly. Allows Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO) Director to hire people to staff the Task Force. Repeals Task Force on December 31, 2021. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

A Task Force requiring the visitation of public postsecondary institutions to meet with underrepresented students has not occurred in Oregon.