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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.

Directs [*office of State Treasurer*] **Higher Education Coordinating Commission** to research creation of wildfire workforce foundation and report to committee or interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to wildfire no later than [*September 15*] **December 1, 2020.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to wildfire; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall:**

5 **(a) Conduct market, legal and fiscal research on the creation of a wildfire workforce**
6 **foundation that receives private and public funds to support youth workforce development**
7 **programs in the areas of forest restoration and wildfire reduction;**

8 **(b) Identify potential collaborators in the wildfire workforce foundation;**

9 **(c) Explore prospects for federal government support of the wildfire workforce founda-**
10 **tion;**

11 **(d) Inventory the experiences and successes of existing wildfire workforce programs; and**

12 **(e) Create a case statement for potential donors to the wildfire workforce foundation,**
13 **with particular emphasis on the potential benefits for private sector businesses and founda-**
14 **tions.**

15 **(2) The commission shall report on the results of the research and tasks performed under**
16 **subsection (1) of this section to a committee or interim committee of the Legislative As-**
17 **sembly related to wildfire no later than December 1, 2020.**

18 **SECTION 2. This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
19 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect**
20 **on its passage.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.