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SUMMARY

Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to establish statewide semiconductor industry consortium for purpose of building robust, strategic partnerships between semiconductor industry, institutions of education, workforce organizations and community-based organizations. Requires consortium to develop comprehensive educational curriculum framework to provide students with skills needed for employment in semiconductor industry.

Requires commission to appoint panel led by representatives of semiconductor industry to inform commission on what programs have been established at institutions of education to implement curriculum framework. Requires commission to use information when allocating moneys to promote semiconductor education.

Requires commission and industry panel to develop method for providing financial rewards to institutions of education that produce graduates with academic degrees that lead to employment in semiconductor industry.

Appropriates moneys to commission for purpose of establishing education curriculum framework, industry consortium and new academic programs.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to semiconductors; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall establish a statewide semiconductor industry consortium for the purpose of building robust, strategic partnerships between the semiconductor industry, institutions of education, workforce organizations and community-based organizations.

(2) The consortium established under subsection (1) of this section shall:

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.

1 (a) Identify skills needed for employment in the semiconductor in-
2 dustry; and

3 (b) Develop a comprehensive educational curriculum framework to
4 provide the skills identified in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

5 (3) The commission shall appoint a panel, led by representatives
6 from the semiconductor industry, to inform the commission on what
7 programs have been established at institutions of education in this
8 state to implement the curriculum framework developed under this
9 section. The commission shall use the information provided by the
10 panel when allocating moneys to institutions of education to promote
11 semiconductor education.

12 (4) The commission, in consultation with the industry panel estab-
13 lished in subsection (3) of this section, shall develop a method for
14 providing financial rewards to institutions of education that produce
15 graduates with academic degrees that lead to employment in the
16 semiconductor industry.

17 (5) Every two years, the consortium shall update the comprehensive
18 educational curriculum framework developed under this section.

19 (6) The commission shall consider recommendations for future
20 funding made by the consortium and industry panel when making the
21 commission's biennial budget recommendations.

22 SECTION 2. The consortium established under section 1 of this 2023
23 Act shall develop its first comprehensive educational curriculum
24 framework no later than January 2, 2024.

25 SECTION 3. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
26 ation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating
27 Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the Gen-
28 eral Fund, the amount of \$_____, for the purpose of establishing the
29 consortium described in section 1 of this 2023 Act.

30 SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
31 ation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating

1 **Commission, for distribution to institutions of education, for the**
2 **biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount**
3 **of \$_____. Moneys distributed under this section must be directly**
4 **distributed to public institutions of education for the purpose of es-**
5 **tablishing new academic programs pursuant to the comprehensive ed-**
6 **ucational framework developed pursuant to section 1 of this 2023 Act.**

7 **SECTION 5. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate pres-**
8 **ervation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is de-**
9 **clared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect July 1, 2023.**