FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Directs Higher Education Coordinating Commission to establish competency-based education pilot program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Community Colleges, Public Universities, Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$200,000	
Total Funds	\$200,000	\$0
Positions	1	
FTE	1.00	

Analysis: The measure directs Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to establish a pilot program for competency-based education at post-secondary institutions. The pilot program issue one or more grants to public post-secondary institutions to fund start-up costs, promotion of the programs including to out-of-state students, and implementation of competency-based education programs. The measure also modifies the requirement for HECC to annually report on competency-based education to add requirement to analyze student outcomes and identify additional funding strategies. The measure appropriates \$200,000 General Fund to fund the pilot program.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State's General Fund.