House Bill 2919

Sponsored by Representatives REARDON, SOLLMAN, Senator GORSEK; Representative WILDE (Presession filed.)

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 as introduced.

Requires each public university and community college to prominently display total costs of all required course materials and fees for no less than 75 percent of total courses offered by public university or community college.

Requires each public university and community college to provide annual report to Higher Education Coordinating Commission detailing compliance with requirement.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to disclosure of costs to enroll in classes at public institutions of higher education.

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

SECTION 1. (1)(a) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, each public university listed in ORS 352.002 and community college shall prominently display the total costs of all required course materials and fees for no less than 75 percent of the total number of courses offered by the public university or community college.

(b) The display of total costs required by this section must:

(A) For each course, be made not later than when course registration for the course begins;

(B) Include the title and International Standard Book Number (ISBN) for each book required for the course; and

(C) Appear in the published course schedule that is on the Internet or is otherwise provided to students at the time of course registration, including on the campus bookstore course materials list that is provided for the course.

(2) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall by rule adopt a list of incidental items that are not required to be included when calculating the total costs described in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) No later than June 30 of each year, each public university listed in ORS 352.002 and community college shall report to the commission on the courses offered by the public university or community college for which total costs are displayed under this section. The report provided under this subsection shall include:

(a) The total number of courses offered by the public university or community college for which total costs are displayed under this section; and

(b) The percentage of all courses offered by the public university or community college for which total costs are displayed under this section.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act first applies to the 2022-2023 academic year.