HB 3121 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Higher Education

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to study methods to make public higher education affordable for Oregonians. Requires HECC to submit report and possible recommendations to Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2024.

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:

-1 Appropriates \$5,200,000 General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for purposes of carrying out Oregon's Open Educational Resources Program. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

BACKGROUND:

House Bill 3121 requires the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to study methods to make public higher education affordable for Oregonians and requires HECC to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2024.

This summary has not been adopted or officially endorsed by action of the committee.