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Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 3564 - B

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SUMMARY

Increases number of members of Higher Education Coordinating Commission representing congressional districts from five to six and decreases number of members of commission representing general public from four to three.

Changes state agency required to be notified when mass layoffs occur from Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to commission.

Includes federally recognized tribes as eligible organizations for receiving grants under Oregon Conservation Corps Program.

Expands ASPIRE programs to include career pathway options.

Requires ASPIRE programs to work directly with community-based organizations and other entities with experience serving historically underserved communities. Permits programs to award grants or other support to these organizations and entities.

Expands list of schools and entities included in definition of "diploma mill."

Defines "post-secondary accrediting agency" to comply with current federal regulations recommending ending concept of regional accreditation.

Expands tuition waiver for foster children to current or former foster children who are not authorized to fill out federal FAFSA form.

Reauthorizes commission to resolve student complaints and to refer student complaints to other entities for resolution. Exempts student complaints from disclosure under public records law. Makes reauthorization retroactive to student complaints filed on or after July 1, 2021.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure exempts from public disclosure information contained in student complaints received by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

If those public records that could be subject to public disclosure were instead subject to mandatory disclosure under public records law, the public could receive information contained in student complaints received by the commission.