

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2265

By COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

April 4

- 1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “education” insert “; and prescribing an effective date”.
2 Delete lines 4 through 10 and insert:
3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Task Force on Funding Post-Secondary Education is established.**
4 **“(2) The task force consists of 21 members appointed as follows:**
5 **“(a) The President of the Senate shall appoint one member from among members of the**
6 **Senate.**
7 **“(b) The Senate Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**
8 **Senate.**
9 **“(c) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint one member from among**
10 **members of the House of Representatives.**
11 **“(d) The House Minority Leader shall appoint one member from among members of the**
12 **House of Representatives.**
13 **“(e) The Governor shall appoint:**
14 **“(A) Seven members to represent public universities listed in ORS 352.002, with one**
15 **member representing each public university;**
16 **“(B) Seven members to represent community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341,**
17 **with each appointed member affiliated with a different community college;**
18 **“(C) One member who is a commissioner on the Higher Education Coordinating Com-**
19 **mission;**
20 **“(D) One member who is either a student enrolled at a public university listed in ORS**
21 **352.002 or employed by an organization that represents students at public universities; and**
22 **“(E) One member who is either a student enrolled at a community college operated under**
23 **ORS chapter 341 or employed by an organization that represents students at community**
24 **colleges.**
25 **“(3) The task force shall:**
26 **“(a) Review how higher education is funded in Oregon, with a focus on what sources the**
27 **funding comes from and the amount of moneys received by each type of post-secondary in-**
28 **stitution of education;**
29 **“(b) Compare the way higher education is funded in Oregon to the way higher education**
30 **is funded in other states;**
31 **“(c) Make recommendations on methods for the Legislative Assembly to increase funding**
32 **for post-secondary institutions of education, including a plan as to how this increase can be**
33 **reasonably achieved through legislation; and**
34 **“(d) Demonstrate how an increase in funding recommended under paragraph (c) of this**
35 **subsection can stabilize tuition rates for enrolled students.**

1 “(4) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the
2 transaction of business.

3 “(5) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting
4 members of the task force.

5 “(6) The Governor shall designate individuals appointed under subsection (2)(e) of this
6 section as chairperson and vice chairperson of the task force.

7 “(7) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-
8 ment to become immediately effective.

9 “(8) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson
10 or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.

11 “(9) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

12 “(10) The task force shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 that
13 sets forth the findings and recommendations made by the task force under subsection (3) of
14 this section, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committee of
15 the Legislative Assembly related to higher education no later than September 15, 2024.

16 “(11) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission and Legislative Revenue Officer
17 shall jointly provide staff support to the task force.

18 “(12) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting
19 members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.

20 “(13) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are
21 not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the
22 task force.

23 “(14) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist
24 the task force in the performance of the duties of the task force and, to the extent permitted
25 by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task
26 force consider necessary to perform their duties.

27 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on December 31, 2024.

28 “SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023
29 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”