

**House Bill 2961**

Sponsored by Representative RUIZ; Representative LIVELY, Senators DEMBROW, GORSEK, SOLLMAN (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.

Appropriates $5,000,000 to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for allocation to expand scope and community reach of college access and success programs at public universities and community colleges.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to funding post-secondary education; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of $5,000,000, to be allocated to expand the scope and community reach of college access and success programs at public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and community colleges operated under ORS chapter 341.

**SECTION 2.** This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on July 1, 2023.

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**NOTE:** Matter in *boldfaced* type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in *boldfaced* type.

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