

Submitter: NW Coastal Range
On Behalf Of:
Committee: House Committee On Higher Education
Measure: HB3017
House Bill 3017 Committee of Higher Education

This is a NPO and secondary NPO/NGO nepotism Bill. Where the executive director (ED) make a six figure salary.

First, why would ED give up their six figure salary?

Second, why would the EO solve the problem in which the EO took grant money from Oregonians tax dollars, to resolve the problem, and therefore lose funding?

Why is the Legislature hiding this appropriation from Oregonians deeming it as Higher Education funding, its not. It's transferring hard working Oregonians tax dollars to the already wealthy and well connected in the State of Oregon. This Ponzi Scheme doesn't pass the somethings smells fishy in Salem and the Higher Education arena.

How much does this Scheme cost Oregon taxpayers? \$2,500,000

Where does this \$2.5 Million sent to from PSU? High Desert Partnership

What does High Desert Partnership do? High Desert opening: Working cooperatively takes a strong support system to make it possible for people to work together. A support system that does not take a position on issues but rather brings people together and manages the process. [In other words, its an Oregon Harney County Think-Tank. With Nine Executive positions, Four Collaborators, Nine Board Members, Forty Collaborators (some with duel job descriptions), and uncountable Partners and the Collaborative s that the citizens of Oregon can only assume are attending, counting, analyzing, and making charts and projections on another department within the Oregon gov or another NPO/NGO.. Where these people get paid no matter where their travels take them. "Marge, I'll be out of the office for the High Desert Symposium as a representative of Oregon Department of Squirrels and Chipmunks. Surely I'm happy that paychecks are auto direct deposit"

What a TOTAL WASTE of Oregon taxpayers dollars. Do these rural low populated counties deserve taxpayer funding for job creation, yes. Do these same low population counties believe that a think-tank is their best option for \$2.5 million in appropriations from the Oregon Legislature?

The legislature needs figure out a better formula for splitting the budget amongst all thirty-six (36) counties, the current method of disbursements on population head

count is the most unequal formula ever. No wonder east counties in Oregon want to secede to Idaho. Surely, a think-tank wasn't a top priority.

*** [PSU] Oregon Solutions brings businesses, government, and nonprofits together to agree on what role each will play to address a community need. Oregon Solutions projects must meet at least two of Oregon's sustainability objectives. Those [sic These] objectives are to foster a productive economy, equitable community, and healthy environment.

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