

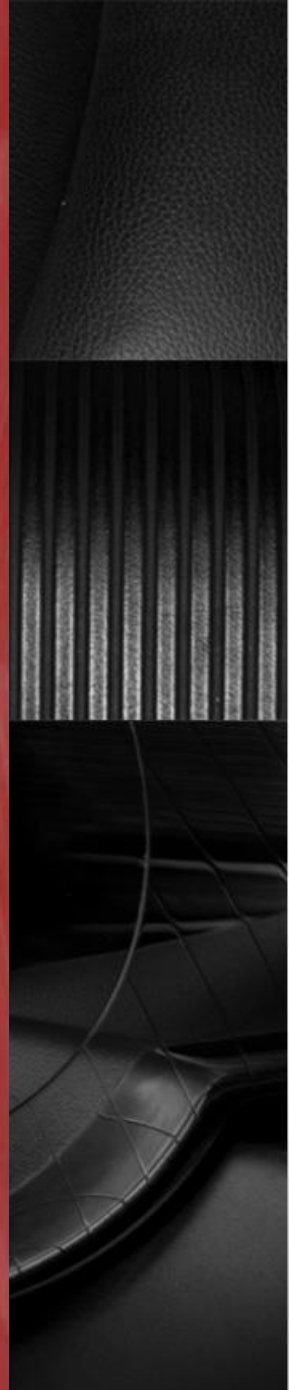
HB 3472 Update

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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HB 3472: Pay It Forward

- HECC to consider the creation of pilot program “Pay Forward, Pay Back”
- Pilot program would:
 - Replace current system of tuition and fees charged to students
 - Identify one or more public institutions to participate
- If HECC determines pilot is warranted, submit pilot program proposal to 2015 Legislative Assembly for consideration.



PIF Workgroup Membership

- HECC Commissioners
- The original Capstone Project students
- Community Representation
- Institution Financial Aid Officers
- Experts from Treasury and OSAC
- Local and Regional College Affordability Researchers



Increasing Interest

- Nationally
 - Bills in both the US House and Senate
 - 19 states are looking at PIF models
- Locally
 - High school students
 - Nonprofit organizations
 - Parents



PIF Workgroup's Approach

- Founding Principles grounded in:
 - Students
 - Avoiding undue burdens
 - Voluntary participation
 - Student-Friendly
 - State's Role
 - Should not replace public contributions



Approach (continued)

- Pilot design:
 - Remove barriers to access
 - Cautious regarding participation duration
 - Learn from others who are embarking on PIF efforts
 - Eligibility definitions
 - Scalable & universal
 - Flexible yet not creating “administrative nightmare”



Next Steps

- Identify potential initial PIF fund sources
- Refine and finalize program recommendations
- Clarify legality of participant payment options
- Refine data collection process and outputs



HB 3472: Tuition Freeze Report

- HECC to conduct study of successful implementation of Tuition Freeze at public universities
- Include an analysis of:
 - WOU Tuition Promise
 - Florida's Finish in Four proposal
- Mitigation of Financial Strain



National Context

- Florida's Finish in Four
- Texas' House Bill 29
- Texas Affordable Baccalaureate Program
- Lack of available data



Efforts in Oregon

- WOU Tuition Promise
- PSU Four-Year Guarantee
- \$40 million appropriation in 2013



Findings and Recommendations

- State funding support is key to success
- Watching states who are currently implementing
- Intentional conversations



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