
MEMORANDUM

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To: *Education Subcommittee*

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Date: June 16, 2015

Subject: *SB 860*
Work Session Recommendations

SB 860 - A relates to university pilot programs. The bill directs the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to select, by January 1, 2016, one large and one small public university, to participate in a pilot program. Each university selected by HECC will receive funding to hire one position to design which will develop a pilot program to coordinate opportunities for student career advising and mentorship available through the university's academic advising center, career services center, and alumni network or alumni foundations.

The bill previously had a public hearing in the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Education on June 8, 2015.

The bill has a \$427,500 General Fund fiscal impact for grants to one large and one small university to be allocated by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

Amendment

The proposed –A3 amendment to the measure appropriates \$427,500 General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to be allocated to the two public universities that are selected for the pilot program.

Motion: Move the –A3 amendment to SB 860 .

Measure

The measure, as amended, is recommended to be moved to the full Committee on Joint Ways and Means.

Motion: Move SB 860 to the full committee with a “do pass” recommendation, as amended.

Assignment of Carriers

Full: _____
1st Chamber: _____
2nd Chamber: _____

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 860 - A3

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2015 Regular Session
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Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed Versions are Considered Official

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Date: 6/16/2015

Measure Description:

Directs Higher Education Coordinating Commission to solicit applications and select two public universities to design and develop career advising and mentorship pilot program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
General Fund	\$427,500	\$570,000
Total Funds	\$427,500	\$570,000

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

The bill directs the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to select, by January 1, 2016, one public university with less than 10,000 enrolled undergraduate students as well as one public university with 10,000 or more enrolled undergraduate students, to participate in a pilot program. Each university selected by HECC will receive funding to hire additional staff comprising one full-time equivalent job to design and develop a pilot program to coordinate opportunities for student career advising and mentorship available through the university's' academic advising center, career services center, and alumni network or alumni foundations. HECC must present a final program framework and implementation plan for the pilot programs to the committees relating to higher education during the 2016 Regular Session of the Legislative Assembly as well as present a progress report on the results of the pilot programs to the committees relating to higher education during the 2017 Regular Session of the Legislative Assembly.

Funding for the Student Career Advising and Mentorship Coordinator position at the large university is estimated to cost \$300,000 General Fund (GF) per biennium and \$270,000 GF per biennium at the small university. The fiscal estimate includes \$30,000 Services and Supplies costs per biennium for each position for travel related expenses, as these positions will be traveling both in-state and internationally to work with alumni organizations, foundations, and industry to fully coordinate mentorship and internship opportunities for student participants. Given that the two universities should be selected for the pilot program by January 1, 2016; fiscal estimates for the 2015-17 biennium only include a year and half of salary estimates. The fiscal impact to the HECC is anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within existing parameters of the agency budget. Existing staff will be able to select institutions and co-present on program framework, implementation plans and the progress of the pilot programs to the Legislative Assembly.

The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that the pilot program contained in the bill does not have a sunset nor repeal date; therefor funding for the university positions has been assumed to continue in the 2017-19 biennium and beyond.

SB 860-A3
(LC 3719)
6/16/15 (TR/ps)

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 860**

1 On page 2 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 22, delete “\$_____” and in-
2 sert “\$427,500”.

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