SUMMARY

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Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for Sustainable City Year Program at University of Oregon.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to Sustainable City Year Program at the University of Oregon; and declaring an emergency.

Whereas Oregon communities seek assistance on issues of economic development, responsible use of limited fiscal resources, transportation, housing, community engagement and other local quality of life issues; and

Whereas the Sustainable City Year Program is a program at the University of Oregon established to connect Oregon cities and local governments to the innovative, dedicated and energetic brainpower of students and faculty members; and

Whereas the Sustainable City Year Program offers students the opportunity to apply classroom concepts and academic tools to real community issues; and

Whereas the Sustainable City Year Program hones students' skills in high-demand workforce competencies to develop employment-ready graduates; and

Whereas the Sustainable City Year Program has become a model for more than 30 universities across the country and around the world; and

Whereas Oregon communities desire access to the latest knowledge and best practices in practical formats to advance community values and goals; and

Whereas the Sustainable City Year Program has a track record of tangible community impact and is scalable to Oregon communities of varying sizes; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of $300,000, for the Sustainable City Year Program at the University of Oregon for the purpose of partnering with cities that would not otherwise have resources to participate in the program.

SECTION 2. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect on July 1, 2019.