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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.

Directs Higher Education Coordinating Commission to [*establish*] **convene stakeholders to facilitate establishment** of foster youth success centers in each public university.

[*Authorizes issuance of*] **Allocates** lottery [*bonds*] **funds** to finance cost of developing foster youth success centers in public universities. Establishes Foster Youth Success Center Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in fund to commission. Directs commission to use moneys in fund to finance development of foster youth success centers to assist foster youth attending public universities.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to foster youth success centers; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** (1) **As used in this section, "Foster Youth Promise student" means a student**
5 **enrolled in community college or a public university listed in ORS 352.002 who is entitled to**
6 **a tuition waiver under ORS 350.300.**

7 **(2) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall convene a representative group**
8 **of community college and public university stakeholders in order to facilitate the establish-**
9 **ment of foster youth success centers in each public university.**

10 **(3) Foster youth success centers established pursuant to this section shall:**

11 **(a) Develop and implement peer support programs for Foster Youth Promise students;**

12 **(b) Provide outreach and mentoring to advise foster youth who are attending high school**
13 **about their educational options; and**

14 **(c) Develop and implement additional support programs to promote the success of Foster**
15 **Youth Promise students.**

16 **SECTION 2.** (1) **As used in this section, "Foster Youth Promise student" means a student**
17 **enrolled in community college or a public university listed in ORS 352.002 who is entitled to**
18 **a tuition waiver under ORS 350.300.**

19 **(2) The Legislative Assembly finds that providing Foster Youth Promise students who are**
20 **attending public universities with support programs as provided in section 1 of this 2019 Act**
21 **will:**

22 **(a) Ensure that Foster Youth Promise students succeed in their educational endeavors;**

23 **(b) Positively impact the educational and career prospects of current and future Foster**

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.

1 Youth Promise students; and

2 (c) Strengthen the efficacy of the tuition waiver provided to foster youth and former
3 foster youth under ORS 350.300.

4 (3) The factors described in subsection (2) of this section will encourage and promote
5 economic development within the State of Oregon, and the establishment of foster youth
6 success centers is therefore an appropriate use of state lottery funds under Article XV,
7 section 4, of the Oregon Constitution, and ORS 461.510.

8 (4) There is allocated for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, from the Administrative
9 Services Economic Development Fund, to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission,
10 the amount of \$_____ for deposit in the Foster Youth Success Center Fund established under
11 section 3 of this 2019 Act, to be used for the purposes described in section 3 of this 2019 Act.

12 **SECTION 3.** (1) The Foster Youth Success Center Fund is established in the State
13 Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The moneys in the Foster Youth
14 Success Center Fund and the interest earnings on moneys in the fund are continuously ap-
15 propriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the purposes described in
16 subsection (2) of this section. The fund consists of moneys deposited into the fund under
17 section 2 of this 2019 Act and may include other fees, revenues or other income transferred
18 into the fund by the Legislative Assembly for payment of costs incurred to establish the
19 Foster Youth Success Center Fund.

20 (2) Moneys in the fund are available for immediate distribution to the Higher Education
21 Coordinating Commission to pay the costs incurred to fund foster youth success centers
22 described in section 1 of this 2019 Act.

23 **SECTION 4.** This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
24 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect
25 on its passage.

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