

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 4058

By COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

February 9

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete “declaring an emergency” and insert “prescribing
2 an effective date”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall convene a work
5 group to examine and recommend adoption of strategies for making textbooks more afford-
6 able for students at all post-secondary institutions in this state.**

7 **“(2) The work group shall analyze the success and shortcomings of ORS 337.500 to 337.506
8 and the textbook affordability provisions of the federal Higher Education Opportunity Act
9 of 2008 regarding textbook bundling and price disclosure for textbooks and shall:**

10 **“(a) Identify and examine textbook cost-savings strategies, including:**

11 **“(A) Statewide bulk purchasing of textbooks;**

12 **“(B) Statewide used book exchanges;**

13 **“(C) Use of lower cost instructional materials, such as open source textbooks and other
14 open source materials;**

15 **“(D) Promotion of instructor-created open source textbooks by Oregon faculty or teams
16 of Oregon faculty;**

17 **“(E) Use of statewide licenses for textbooks;**

18 **“(F) Use of shared online materials;**

19 **“(G) Creation of a statewide central repository allowing instructors to locate and use free
20 or low-cost materials;**

21 **“(H) Use of textbook rentals;**

22 **“(I) Facilitation of peer-to-peer textbook sales;**

23 **“(J) Use of print on demand services for book publishing; and**

24 **“(K) Partnering with other state, regional and national organizations in adopting text-
25 book cost-savings strategies; and**

26 **“(b) Recommend implementation strategies and, through the State Board of Higher Ed-
27 ucation and the State Board of Education, recommend how community colleges and insti-
28 tutions of higher education may implement the strategies.**

29 **“(3) The work group shall solicit significant participation in its analysis from:**

30 **“(a) Students, faculty and bookstore managers at community colleges and institutions
31 of higher education; and**

32 **“(b) Publishers that provide books and other materials to bookstores at community col-
33 leges and institutions of higher education.**

34 **“(4) Upon receiving the work group’s recommendations, the Higher Education Coordi-
35 nating Commission shall deliberate upon the recommendations. The commission shall for-**

1 ward the recommendations to the interim committee of the Legislative Assembly with
2 subject matter authority over higher education before November 1, 2012.

3 “(5) Any strategies recommended by the work group must respect the principles of aca-
4 demic freedom, maintain quality of instruction, foster student success and respect copyright
5 law.

6 “(6) The recommendations must identify strategies that require rule adoption by the
7 State Board of Higher Education and the State Board of Education, and strategies that re-
8 quire additional legislation.

9 “(7) The work group shall hold at least three public meetings during the preparation of
10 its recommendations to solicit additional participation from students, faculty and the general
11 public.

12 “(8) The work group may accept technical assistance from any source in preparing its
13 recommendations.

14 “SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2012 Act is repealed on the date of the convening of the
15 2013 regular session of the Legislative Assembly as specified in ORS 171.010.

16 “SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2012 Act takes effect on July 1, 2012.”
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