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| **Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly - 2015 Regular Session** | **MEASURE:** **HB 2409 B** |
| **STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY** | **CARRIER:** **Sen. Thomsen** |
| **Joint Committee On Ways and Means** | |

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| **Fiscal:** | Has minimal fiscal impact |
| **Revenue:** | No Revenue Impact |
| **Action Date:** | 05/29/15 |
| **Action:** | Do Pass The B-Eng Bill. |
| **Meeting Dates:** | 05/29 |
| **Vote:** | |
| **Senate** | |
| Yeas: | 10 - Burdick, Devlin, Girod, Johnson, Monroe, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Whitsett, Winters |
| Nays: | 1 - Shields |
| Exc: | 1 - Hansell |
| **House** | |
| Yeas: | 11 - Buckley, Gomberg, Huffman, Komp, McLane, Nathanson, Rayfield, Smith, Whisnant, Whitsett, Williamson |
| Exc: | 1 - Read |
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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**
Abolishes unfunded higher education loan, scholarship and grant programs. Combines fund accounts for alternative student loan program, scholarships for foster youth, and Nursing Services Program to allow for consolidated accounting. Separates statutes regarding scholarships for foster youth and scholarships for dependent children of deceased and disabled public safety officers. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Status of Grants with the Oregon Student Assistance Commission pertaining to the bill

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**
No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**
A number of old, defunct and unfunded scholarship and grant programs exist in statutes under the auspices of the Office of Student Access and Completion (OSAC). House Bill 2409 abolishes those programs. Additionally, the measure combines the accounts of several funded programs in order to consolidate accounting procedures.

OSAC administers two scholarship programs governed by one statute: One for dependent children of public safety officers killed or disabled in the line of duty and one for former foster youth. House Bill 2409 separates this statute into two to eliminate confusion between these programs.