78th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY--2015 Regular Session

Enrolled Senate Bill 113

Sponsored by Senator DEMBROW (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to higher education employees; and declaring an emergency.

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall convene a work group of stakeholders to determine the most appropriate method for public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and community colleges to report relevant employment data in a consistent and detailed manner for the following categories of employees:

- (a) Full-time faculty;
- (b) Part-time faculty;
- (c) Graduate faculty;
- (d) Full-time classified employees;
- (e) Part-time classified employees;
- (f) Full-time nonteaching professional staff;
- (g) Part-time nonteaching professional staff;
- (h) Full-time supervisory employees;
- (i) Part-time supervisory employees;
- (j) Full-time management staff; and
- (k) Part-time management staff.

(2) The work group's determinations under this section must include recommendations regarding when and how often the public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and community colleges should provide the relevant employment data to the commission, and when and how often the commission should provide the data to the Legislative Assembly.

(3) The commission shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 detailing the determinations reached under this section to the interim legislative committees on higher education no later than December 1, 2016.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 15, 2016.

SECTION 3. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall use data available from a national post-secondary data collection system within the United States Department of Education to compile a report that details the number of faculty and staff at each public university listed in ORS 352.002 and at each community college.

(2) The report required under subsection (1) of this section must:

(a) Cover each academic year from the 2010-2011 academic year onward; and

(b) Provide the number of faculty and staff for each category of employee that is available at the national post-secondary data collection system used by the commission under subsection (1) of this section.

(3) The commission shall submit the report required under subsection (1) of this section to the interim legislative committees on higher education no later than December 1, 2015.

SECTION 4. Section 3 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 15, 2015.

<u>SECTION 5.</u> (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall convene a work group of stakeholders to identify how each public university listed in ORS 352.002 and each community college calculates part-time faculty member hours to determine if a part-time faculty member is eligible for health care benefits under ORS 351.704.

(2) The findings of the work group under subsection (1) of this section must include, but need not be limited to, an analysis of how public universities and community colleges calculate:

(a) Classroom instruction hours;

(b) Research hours;

(c) Paid committee hours; and

(d) Other required duties.

(3) In addition to the requirements set forth in subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the work group shall recommend legislation for amending ORS 351.704 to ensure that part-time faculty who teach at least half-time at two or more public post-secondary institutions of education are eligible to receive subsidized health care benefits.

(4) The commission shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 detailing the findings of the work group and its recommendations for legislation to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to higher education no later than December 1, 2015.

SECTION 6. Section 5 of this 2015 Act is repealed on December 15, 2015.

SECTION 7. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$106,500, for the purposes of implementing sections 1, 3 and 5 of this 2015 Act.

<u>SECTION 8.</u> This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect on its passage.

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