

**SB 5525 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Rep. Lively

**Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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**Action Date:** 06/30/17

**Action:** Do Pass.

**House Vote**

**Yeas:** 10 - Gomberg, Holvey, Huffman, McLane, Nathanson, Rayfield, Smith G, Smith Warner, Stark, Whisnant

**Exc:** 1 - Williamson

**Senate Vote**

**Yeas:** 12 - DeBoer, Devlin, Frederick, Girod, Hansell, Johnson, Manning Jr, Monroe, Roblan, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Winters

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** No revenue impact

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

SB 5525 is the fee ratification bill for the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). The agency set a fee of \$1,000 for an application from a career school in Oregon for the review and approval of a new program at the school. This fee was approved by both HECC and the Department of Administrative Services during the interim. SB 218 (2015) authorized HECC to establish this fee and it was implemented on December 1, 2015. The estimated revenues from this fee is \$32,000 per biennium.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Activities the fee supports
- How these activities were supported prior to the fee
- Differences in regulation and certification among public and private post-secondary schools
- Amount of the fee

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

SB 218 (2015) authorized the establishment of this fee. The regulation of private career schools was transferred to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) from the Department of Education when HECC was created.