



Testimony on House Bill 2030

House Education Committee

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Chair Doherty, Vice-Chairs Alonso Leon and Helt, and members of the Committee. My name is Kyle Thomas and I am the Director of Legislative and Policy Affairs for the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on House Bill 2030.

HB 2030 is the agency minor revisions package, making several minor changes, many of them technical in nature. Because of the length and diversity of topics, the following table of contents is meant to help guide a reading of the bill. I will highlight sections that may not be immediately clear to members.

Section	Page	Change
1	1	Grammatical change
2	2	Replaces reference to the Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development (CCWD) with HECC. Renames the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps Advisory Committee (OYCCAC) the Oregon Youth Conservation Committee Advisory Board (OYCCAB)
3	2	Replaces CCWD with HECC. Renames OYCCAC as OYCCAB
4	3	Allows OYCC grants to be expended on non-tuition costs. Renames OYCCAC as OYCCAB
5	4	Adds garden and greenhouse programs to OYCC mission. Replaces CCWD with HECC. Renames OYCCAC as OYCCAB
6	4	Replaces ODE and CCWD with HECC.
7	5	Conforms statute with changes in sections 2, 3, 5, and 6
8	5	States that HECC can request funding in support of the state workforce development system
9	5	Changes outdated title of Office of Student Access and Completion director
10	5	Deletes outdated reference to Oregon Student Assistance Commission
11	6	Defines “Armed Forces of the United States” to replace repealed language from Repealed Troops to Teachers Program
12	7	Updates statutory reference to point to definition of “Armed Forces of the United States”

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16	11	Updates internal statutory references to conform with repeal of ORS 348.285
17	11	Deletes outdated language requiring DAS make direct payments to community colleges.
18	12	States that the Commission has implied authority to execute functions that are necessary for the Commission to achieve its express authorities and mandates
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21	22	Expressly requires the Commission to conduct fingerprint-based background checks of private career school license applicants (previously implied).
22	22	Clarifies fingerprinting requirements applied to HECC’s own staff.
23	23	Corrects omissions in institutional reporting on faculty and supervisor data
24	24	States university eligibility for public building seismic rehabilitation grants
25	25	Removes references to repealed statutes
26	25	Repeals alternative student loan program
27	25	Sunsets troops to teachers program
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In addition, there is an amendment before the committee. This -1 amendment adds the following modifications to existing language in the bill:

- It changes the name of the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps to the Oregon Youth Corps wherever the name appears
- Amends the change made in sections 18-20 on implied authority to confirm institutional autonomy when the legislature has provided institutions with such authority, and represents an agreement on this issue

It also adds several new sections:

Section	Page	Change
26	2	Oregon Youth Corps name change
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28	3	Oregon Youth Corps name change
29	6	Oregon Youth Corps name change
30	7	Fixes a previously unrecognized error in the Oregon Promise program statutes preventing a certain type of student from being awarded
31	13	Allows public universities to employ counselors that are not personally licensed
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33	xx	Previously section 26
34	xx	Previously section 27
35	xx	Previously section 28
36	16	Adds an effective date of 91 st day after sine die

Thank you for your time today.