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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Prison Education.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Office of the Governor, Department of Corrections (DOC), Employment Department (OED), Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC), Legislative Assembly, Community Colleges, Public Universities

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Judiciary to the Senate Committee on Education.

The measure establishes the 14-member Task Force on Prison Education charged with studying existing prisoner education programs, including space and budget limitations, and exploring options and opportunities for expanding, updating, and improving such programs. The Officer of the Governor is directed to provide staffing to the task force. The Office of the Governor, the Legislative Assembly, the Oregon Employment Department, community colleges, universities, and the Department of Corrections are required to participate as members of the task force. The task force is required to submit a report to the Legislature by September 15, 2020. Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislature serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2020.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Office of the Governor, the Legislative Assembly, the Oregon Employment Department, community colleges, universities, and the Department of Corrections.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Senate Committee on Education.

Further Analysis Required