

HB 2594 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Education

Action Date: 03/27/19

Action: Do pass and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference

Vote: 8-1-0-0

Yeas: 8 - Alonso Leon, Doherty, Helt, Hernandez, Neron, Reardon, Sollman, Wallan

Nays: 1 - Reschke

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/25, 3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Appropriates \$300,000 out of the General Fund for the Sustainable City Year Program at the University of Oregon. Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2019.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Interest in providing similar program to other universities in the state
- Clarification of application of program
- Example of partnership providers

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The University of Oregon has a Sustainable City Year Program which matches students to an Oregon city, county, special district, tribe, or government agency for the academic year. The program allows students to provide real solutions to community challenges and sustainable development. The course allows students to conduct research, visit communities, engage with stakeholders, and present their findings during a campus session. Partnerships have included Metro, Springfield and Lane Transit District, City of Redmond, City of Albany, and TriMet, among others.

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