

HB 2871 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Helt

House Committee On Education

Action Date: 04/03/19

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 8-0-1-0

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

Exc: 1 - Wallan

Fiscal: Has minimal fiscal impact

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/1, 4/3

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Changes name of Oregon Youth Conservation Corps to Oregon Youth Corps (OYC). Changes the program director of OYC from Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development to Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC). Changes OYC advisory "committee" to advisory "board," and changes Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development director to HECC executive director, or designee. Increases Oregon Community Stewardship corps voucher award for tuition to any career school and post-secondary institution from \$1,500 to "up to" \$1,500. Changes purpose of vouchers from tuition, to tuition, books, other items, or services enhancing and supporting education or employment. Adds garden, greenhouse, and farming programs to program outcomes for OYC.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of Oregon Youth Conservation Corps
- Reason for drafting amendment and interest in secondary measure providing clarity for committee members

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Youth Conservation Corps (OYCC) provides grant funding, training, and resources to youth serving agencies across Oregon. It was created in 1987 to emulate the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930s. The OYCC has an advisory committee that was established in 1987 to advise the program director on program implementation.

House Bill 2871-A provides a number of technical changes to the Oregon Youth Conservation Corps program. It changes the name to Oregon Youth Corps, and clarifies program director. It changes the advisory committee to an advisory board. It also updates the Oregon Community Stewardship corps voucher award from \$1,500 to "up to" \$1,500, and updates the purpose of the vouchers.