

HB 3139 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Higher Education

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Sub-Referral To: Joint Committee On Ways and Means

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes program in Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to support strategic investment in workforce development programs and activities in Oregon's maritime sector in coordination with local workforce development boards, community colleges, and other workforce partners. Appropriates \$2 million General Fund to HECC.

REVENUE: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

FISCAL: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 867 (2017) created the Task Force on Maritime Workforce Development. The Task Force on Maritime Workforce Development was tasked with making recommendations to the State Workforce Investment Board to address the maritime sector in the unified plan for a statewide workforce investment system required by ORS 660.324. The task force did not release a report or recommendations.

House Bill 2181 (2019) and Senate Bill 259 (2019) also proposed a Task Force on Maritime Workforce Development, but remained in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means upon adjournment.

House Bill 3139 establishes a program in the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to support strategic investment in maritime workforce development.