

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION****Measure: SB 449**

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**Measure Description:**

Permits adopted former foster children to have amount of tuition and all fees waived if attending defined institutions of higher education for purposes of pursuing initial undergraduate degree.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health and Science University, Department of Human Services, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Burns Paiute Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Klamath Tribes

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - See explanatory analysis.

**Analysis:**

The measure adds adopted former foster children as an eligibility group for students who are eligible to receive tuition and fee waivers at specified public institutions of higher education if they were adopted on or after January 1, 2012. The eligibility expansion begins in the 2023-24 academic year. The measure declares an emergency and is effective upon passage.

The fiscal impact for public universities and Oregon Health and Science University is indeterminate due to the uncertainty of how many eligible students would apply for tuition and fee waivers. However, the Legislative Fiscal Office notes that any decrease in tuition revenue is anticipated to be absorbable.

There is a minimal fiscal impact for the Department of Human Services.

There is no fiscal impact for the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Burns Paiute Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Klamath Tribes, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, or Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.