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## Joint Committee on Ways and Means

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**To:** Education Subcommittee

**From:** Kim To, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 6, 2023

**Subject:** HB 2049 – Relating to cybersecurity  
Work Session Recommendations

House Bill 2049 with the -A4 amendment establishes the Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence to coordinate, fund, and provide education, awareness, and training for public, private, and nonprofit sectors. The Center will be established at Portland State University and operated under the joint direction and control of three founding universities - Portland State University, Oregon State University, and the University of Oregon. In addition, the universities are directed to establish the Oregon Cybersecurity Advisory Council to serve as an advisory council for the Center of Excellence.

The measure establishes three funds for Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence: the Operating Fund, the Workforce Development Fund, and the Grant Program Fund. The measure appropriates a total of \$4.9 million General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to be deposited into these three funds. The measure provides \$2.50 million General Fund for the Operating Fund for startup costs and \$2.15 million General Fund to the Workforce Development Fund for the following programs:

- \$1,000,000 for the OSU CyberClinic (ORTSOC) program
- \$425,000 for University of Oregon Cyber Degree/Certificate programs
- \$350,000 for the Mount Hood Community College Cybersecurity Certification Scholarship Fund
- \$375,000 for the NW Cyber Camps program for high school students

In addition, the measure provides \$250,000 General Fund for the Grant Program Fund to provide assessment, monitoring, incident response, and competitive grants to government bodies for cybersecurity-related goods and services. This funding is provided to serve as state match in support of Oregon's application for federal funds available through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) through the end of federal fiscal year 2025. However, the actual amount of available federal funding and required state match will not be known until the release of IIJA and SLCGP notice of funding opportunity for each federal fiscal year.

Moneys appropriated to the Cybersecurity Grant Program Fund will be distributed to public bodies following the submission of grant applications competitively evaluated by the Center through a process outlined in rules.

The measure previously had a hearing in the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology on 2/1/2023, 2/8/2023, 2/15/2023, 2/22/2023 and 3/1/2023 and was reported out with a do pass recommendation.

### **Recommended Changes**

The –A4 amendment makes the following changes:

1. Removes the requirement that the Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence develop, update, and submit biennially to the Governor and the appropriate committees of the Legislature the Oregon Cybersecurity Resilience Plan.
2. Removes language requiring the establishment of the Cybersecurity Public Awareness Fund.
3. Appropriates a total of \$4.9 million General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to deposit in the established funds for the Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence.

LFO recommends adoption of the –A4 amendment.

**MOTION: I move adoption of the dash A4 amendment to HB 2049. (VOTE)**

### **Final Subcommittee Action**

LFO recommends that HB 2049, as amended by the –A4 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

**MOTION: I move HB 2049, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)**

### **Carriers\***

Full Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

House Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

Senate Floor: \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Ask Co-Chairs if Representative Nathanson could carry to the House and Senator Woods to the Senate? This is a Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology bill.*