SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 490

Relating to family medicine residency training programs

То:	Ways and Means Full Committee
From:	Education Subcommittee
Carrier:	Senator Steiner

SB 490 appropriates \$1.5 million General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission to distribute to the Area Health Education program at OHSU.

This funding will provide support to the Oregon Academy of Family Physicians to address the shortage of primary care physicians in Oregon who provide comprehensive, longitudinal primary care services for patients across the lifespan, including preventive care, chronic disease management, and treatment of acute illnesses. With over 1,600 members, the Oregon Academy of Family Physicians is the largest medical specialty society in Oregon serving family medicine physicians, residents, and students.

The measure allows the Academy to use the allocated funds to develop programing for family medicine residency training for program directors, faculty and residents, including increasing family medicine training for residents in maternal and reproductive health care. The measure authorizes the Area Health Education Center to use up to 5% of allocated funds for administrative expenses.

The Education Subcommittee recommends SB 490 be amended by the -A4 amendment and be reported out do pass.