

Requested by Representative MCINTIRE

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2802**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 28.

2 On page 2, delete lines 1 through 30 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission**
4 **shall establish a pilot program at Portland State University and East-**
5 **ern Oregon University to enhance the hiring of public university stu-**
6 **dents by small businesses and eligible nonprofit organizations.**

7 **“(2) Under the pilot program:**

8 **“(a) One or more individuals designated as pilot program adminis-**
9 **trators at each participating public university shall register:**

10 **“(A) Enrolled students at the participating public university who**
11 **wish to participate in the pilot program;**

12 **“(B) Small businesses that wish to participate in the pilot program;**
13 **and**

14 **“(C) Eligible nonprofit organizations that wish to participate in the**
15 **pilot program; and**

16 **“(b) The pilot program administrators shall match students who**
17 **register under paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection with small busi-**
18 **nesses that register under paragraph (a)(B) of this subsection or eli-**
19 **gible nonprofit organizations that register under paragraph (a)(C) of**
20 **this subsection and shall match each student, to the degree practica-**
21 **ble, with a business or organization that operates in a field relevant**

1 to the student's course of study;

2 “(c) The small business or eligible nonprofit organization shall em-
3 ploy each student that it is matched with for between 10 and 20 hours
4 per week;

5 “(d) The small business or eligible nonprofit organization shall pay
6 each employed student wages at an hourly rate not less than the
7 Oregon minimum wage; and

8 “(e) For each academic term in which a student is employed by a
9 small business or an eligible nonprofit organization under this section,
10 the student's cost of tuition at the participating public university shall
11 be reduced by 20 percent.

12 “(3) If a student who is employed by a small business or an eligible
13 nonprofit organization under the pilot program stops working for the
14 business or organization during an academic term:

15 “(a) The student shall continue to receive the discounted tuition
16 described in subsection (2)(e) of this section for that academic term;
17 and

18 “(b) The student may not participate in the pilot program during
19 the following academic term.

20 “(4) Each participating public university shall adopt policies relat-
21 ing to the administration of the pilot program, including but not lim-
22 ited to:

23 “(a) How enrolled students, small businesses and eligible nonprofit
24 organizations can apply to participate in the pilot program;

25 “(b) The number of enrolled students, small businesses and eligible
26 nonprofit organizations that can participate in the pilot program dur-
27 ing each academic term; and

28 “(c) Subject to subsection (5)(b) of this section, the rate at which
29 the wages paid to students by small businesses or eligible nonprofit
30 organizations under this section will be subsidized.

1 **“(5) Participating public universities may use moneys appropriated**
2 **by the Legislative Assembly for the purposes of conducting the pilot**
3 **program:**

4 **“(a) To offset the reduction in tuition moneys received by partic-**
5 **ipating public universities resulting from the participating public**
6 **universities’ participation in the pilot program;**

7 **“(b) To reimburse small businesses or eligible nonprofit organiza-**
8 **tions that participate in the pilot program no more than 50 percent**
9 **of the amount the small businesses or eligible nonprofit organizations**
10 **paid in wages to students who participate in the pilot program; and**

11 **“(c) For expenses incurred by participating public universities in**
12 **administering the pilot program.**

13 **“(6) No later than September 15 of each year, each participating**
14 **public university shall evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot program**
15 **described in this section and submit, in the manner provided by ORS**
16 **192.245, a report on the results of the evaluation to the interim com-**
17 **mittees of the Legislative Assembly related to higher education.**

18 **“(7) As used in this section:**

19 **“(a) ‘Eligible nonprofit organization’ means an organization that:**

20 **“(A) Is a not-for-profit corporation that is tax exempt under section**
21 **501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code; and**

22 **“(B) Has an annual budget of \$5,000,000 or less.**

23 **“(b) ‘Participating public university’ means:**

24 **“(A) Portland State University; or**

25 **“(B) Eastern Oregon University.**

26 **“(c) ‘Small business’ has the meaning given that term in ORS**
27 **56.200.”.**

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