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Bill Title: Relating to expansion of behavioral health workforce; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2023-25 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Higher Education Coordinating Commission	\$ 6,000,000	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 6,000,000	\$-	\$-	\$ -	\$ 6,000,000	-	-

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Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$-	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure provides a one-time \$6 million General Fund appropriation to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) for the biennium ending June 30,2025, for distribution to the following institutions:

- Portland State University (PSU): \$2 million
- Eastern Oregon University (EOU): \$1 million
- Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT): \$1 million
- Southern Oregon University (SOU): \$1 million
- Western Oregon University (WOU): \$1 million

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is \$6 million General Fund for the 2023-25 biennium.

Higher Education Coordinating Commission

The fiscal impact on HECC is \$6 million General Fund for the 2023-25 biennium. The agency reports that the administrative duties for distributing the special payments to public universities can be absorbed within current resources.

Public Universities

With passage of this measure, PSU will receive \$2 million, and EOU, OIT, SOU, and WOU will receive \$1 million each in state funding. The measure directs the institutions to use the funds for specified education and training purposes to expand the behavioral health workforce in Oregon.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.