



Legislative Fiscal Office
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Bill Title: Relating to the Open Educational Resources Program; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Higher Education Coordinating Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Higher Education Coordinating Commission	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 2,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,000,000	-	-

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
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Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure appropriates \$2 million General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) in the 2025-27 biennium for purposes of the Open Educational Resources Program.

Fiscal Analysis

The Open Educational Resources (OER) Program promotes textbook affordability for community college and university students, and facilitates widespread adoption of open, low-cost, high-quality materials. The HECC current service level budget for the OER Program is \$1.2 million General Fund. HECC currently contracts with Linn-Benton Community College to carry out the OER Program. Since the \$2 million appropriation in this measure adds funding to an existing program, HECC will this distribute this additional funding to community colleges and public universities. HECC will not require any additional budgetary resources.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.