

HB 2458 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Higher Education and Workforce Development

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure requires the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to study reporting requirements for public universities and to develop a plan to eliminate unnecessary or duplicative requirements. It requires HECC to report the plan to the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2026. The measure is repealed January 2, 2027. It declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

Fiscal impact: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued.

Revenue impact: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Volume of reporting requirements
- Estimated 150 mandates on public universities
- Potential for analysis of reporting requirements beyond public universities

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) is required by statute to produce a number of reports that require public universities and community colleges to submit information. Within the last biennium, these reports covered topics including [higher education employees](#) (ORS 350.360), [credit for prior learning](#) (ORS 350.110), [postsecondary transfer](#) (ORS 350.395-432), [educator equity](#) (ORS 342.447), [sexual misconduct](#) (ORS 350.346), [tuition equity and waivers](#) (ORS 350.285, 350.290, and 352.287), [course materials and fee costs](#) (House Bill 2919 (2021)), [university evaluations](#) (ORS 352.061), and [accelerated college credit](#) (ORS 340.330). Statute typically requires HECC to submit these reports to the Legislative Assembly every year or every other year.