

SB 720 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Education

Action Date: 03/05/25

Action: Do pass and refer to Ways and Means by prior reference.

Vote: 3-1-1-0

Yeas: 3 - Frederick, Gelser Blouin, Sollman

Nays: 1 - Robinson

Exc: 1 - Weber

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/12, 3/5

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure distributes \$5 million from the General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services for the Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center to construct and operate the Sunrise Campus Cultural Workforce Center. The Center will coordinate preapprenticeship and apprenticeship programs that provide marginalized youth with skills training in construction and semiconductor manufacturing. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Benefits of Sunrise Campus for community
- Services and training that Sunrise Campus will provide
- Local support for project
- Plans for new campus

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

[Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center](#) (POIC), founded in 1967, serves as a community-based training center and operates an alternative high school. It serves more than 3,000 students, trainees, and families each year. On [December 11, 2024](#), the Senate Interim Committee on Education heard a presentation about the POIC.