

HB 3109 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Higher Education and Workforce Development

Action Date: 03/25/25

Action: Do pass with amendments and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference.
(Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 6-1-0-0

Yeas: 6 - Fragala, Harbick, Hudson, McDonald, Munoz, Wright

Nays: 1 - Yunker

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 1/30, 3/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure appropriates \$600,000 from the General Fund to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for distribution to the Sustainable City Year Program at the University of Oregon. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect July 1, 2025.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Expiring federal funding
- Supplementing local partner funds with federal and state funding
- Selection of city partners
- Funding request
- Cost of staff time, site visits, and annual report

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

The amendment replaces the unspecified appropriation with an appropriation of \$600,000.

BACKGROUND:

The Sustainable City Year Program (SCYP) at the University of Oregon (UO) connects communities in Oregon with students and faculty to complete year-long community-identified projects. According to UO, current project partners include the cities of Oakridge, Bend, Silverton, and Gresham, as well as the Lane Transit District.