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Bill Title: Relating to workforce development in the trucking industry; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Counties

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Higher Education Coordinating Commission	\$ 2,149,872	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,149,872	1	0.50
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 2,149,872	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,149,872	1	0.50

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 establishes a grant program within the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to promote workforce development initiatives in the trucking industry through partnering with local workforce development boards to provide training, education, and wraparound supports and services for individuals seeking to secure a job in the trucking industry. HECC shall establish criteria and standards by which local workforce development boards may apply to receive a grant; and award grants to local workforce development boards to administer the program. In administering the program, local workforce development boards shall increase the availability of commercial driver license training programs throughout the state; provide financial assistance to individuals who participate in commercial driver license training programs; provide wraparound supports and services to facilitate engagement in the trucking industry; and consult relevant stakeholders. A local workforce development that receives a grant shall report to HECC on the outcomes of the program; and HECC shall report to interim legislative committees related to labor and business on the outcomes of the program. The measure includes a one-time appropriation of \$2 million General Fund to HECC in the 2025-27 biennium.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is \$2.1 million General Fund and one position (0.50 FTE). Although the work of distributing grants can be absorbed with existing positions, HECC will need a limited duration Research Analyst 4 position (0.50 FTE) to coordinate wraparound services; analyze data collected from private career schools, training providers, and community colleges; identify strategies used to recruit individuals from underrepresented communities; and prepare the report to the Legislature. The estimated cost of this position, including position-related services and supplies, is \$149,872 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium. In addition, this fiscal analysis assumes that HECC is unable to use the \$2 million appropriation for administrative costs

because the measure directs HECC to distribute the entire \$2 million as grants to local workforce development boards. Therefore, HECC will need additional funding to hire the limited duration position.

The measure is not anticipated to have fiscal impact on counties, as the proposed grant program is optional.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

Within 60 days of the measure’s effective date, HECC shall distribute the funds appropriated to local workforce development boards to administer the proposed grant program.

HECC shall submit a report on the outcomes of the proposed grant program to the Legislature by September 15, 2026.