

# House Bill 4055

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## SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to conduct study and develop recommendations on how Oregon's community colleges and public universities can best combat food and housing insecurity among their students.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to needs of students at post-secondary institutions of education; and declaring an emer-  
3 gency.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1. (1) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission shall conduct a study**  
6 **on the prevalence of food and housing insecurity for students attending a community college**  
7 **in Oregon or a public university listed in ORS 352.002.**

8 **(2)(a) In conducting the study required by this section, the commission shall solicit data**  
9 **from each community college in Oregon and public university listed in ORS 352.002 on:**

10 **(A) How the community college or public university measures food and housing insecur-**  
11 **ity among its student population; and**

12 **(B) The level of food and housing insecurity among students enrolled at the community**  
13 **college or public university.**

14 **(b) Each community college and public university shall promptly provide the commission**  
15 **with all information requested under this subsection.**

16 **(3) The commission, or an entity designated or hired by the commission, shall submit, in**  
17 **the manner provided in ORS 192.245, a report to the interim legislative committees respon-**  
18 **sible for higher education no later than December 15, 2020. The report shall:**

19 **(a) Compile in an aggregate and easy to understand format the information provided by**  
20 **community colleges and public universities under this section;**

21 **(b) Compare the information provided by community colleges and public universities with**  
22 **national trends and best practices on food and housing insecurity among students enrolled**  
23 **at post-secondary institutions of education, including data related to the cost of attending**  
24 **post-secondary institutions of education;**

25 **(c) Identify potential gaps in how community colleges and public universities are ad-**  
26 **dresssing food and housing insecurity among their students; and**

27 **(d) Include recommendations for new policies, including budgetary increases, that could**  
28 **be adopted to better combat food and housing insecurity among students enrolled at com-**  
29 **munity colleges and public universities.**

30 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2020 Act is repealed on December 31, 2021.**

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1        **SECTION 3. This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
2        **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect**  
3        **on its passage.**

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