
Docket Item:

Competency Based Education Report

Summary:

This report is provided pursuant to HB 3289 (2017), codified into law as ORS 350.125, which requires, beginning in 2018, that the HECC submit an annual report to the Oregon Legislature regarding competency based education (CBE). This report provides a background on CBE both nationally and in Oregon, and the following required by HB 3289:

- Describe the effectiveness of expanding competency based education in public postsecondary institutions of education in this state and of granting postsecondary degrees on the basis of competency based education.
- Identify issues and barriers, including postsecondary accreditation standards that present challenges to implementing or expanding competency based education programs in post-secondary institutions of education in this state.
- Analyze competency based education models and determine which models have been successful.
- Recommend specific policy changes and initiatives that public post-secondary institutions of education in this state may implement to expand competency based education.

The HECC is encouraged by the potential of CBE to help close achievement gaps, bring Oregon closer to 40-40-20, and by the steadfast commitment of our institutional partners to offer degrees and certificates of value to Oregonians.

Materials:

2019 Competency Based Education Report draft report attached.

Staff Recommendation:

Draft report for review, discussion, and approval.