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## SUMMARY

Removes requirement that Higher Education Coordinating Commission's annual evaluation of public universities include annual evaluation of each university. Requires that each university be evaluated by commission once every two years.

Removes April 1 deadline for public universities to submit biennial funding request to commission.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to public universities; creating new provisions; and amending ORS  
3 350.090 and 352.061.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 352.061 is amended to read:

6 352.061. (1) On an annual basis, the Higher Education Coordinating  
7 Commission shall submit to the Legislative Assembly an evaluation of [*each*  
8 *university*] **universities** with a governing board. **Each university with a**  
9 **governing board must be evaluated in the manner required by this**  
10 **section once every two years. As part of the evaluation submitted to**  
11 **the Legislative Assembly,** the commission may make recommendations [*to*  
12 *the Legislative Assembly*] regarding the ability of the university to meet ac-  
13 ademic goals and fulfill its fiduciary responsibilities.

14 (2) The evaluation must include:

15 (a) A report on the university's achievement of outcomes, measures of  
16 progress, goals and targets;

17 (b) An assessment of the university's progress toward achieving the  
18 mission of all education beyond high school as described in ORS 350.014; and

**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 (c) An assessment as to how well the establishment of a governing board  
2 at the university comports with the findings set forth in ORS 352.025.

3 **(3) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission may adopt rules**  
4 **necessary for the administration of this section.**

5 **SECTION 2.** ORS 350.090, as amended by section 57, chapter 117, Oregon  
6 Laws 2016, is amended to read:

7 350.090. (1)(a) [*On or before April 1 of*] **During** each even-numbered year,  
8 each public university listed in ORS 352.002 must submit to an office desig-  
9 nated by the Higher Education Coordinating Commission as being responsi-  
10 ble for university coordination a funding request applicable to the biennium  
11 beginning on July 1 of the following year; and

12 (b) On or before May 1 of each even-numbered year, the office designated  
13 under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall consolidate the funding requests  
14 from public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and submit the consolidated  
15 funding requests to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

16 (2) On or before September 1 of each even-numbered year, the Higher  
17 Education Coordinating Commission shall submit a funding request to the  
18 Governor on behalf of all the public universities listed in ORS 352.002.

19 (3) The Governor's budget may include the Higher Education Coordinat-  
20 ing Commission's funding request for public universities listed in ORS  
21 352.002. Any funding request approved by the Legislative Assembly must  
22 specify that the moneys be appropriated to the Higher Education Coordi-  
23 nating Commission for allocation to the public universities listed in ORS  
24 352.002.

25 **(4) The Higher Education Coordinating Commission may adopt rules**  
26 **necessary for the administration of this section.**

27 **SECTION 3.** **The amendments to ORS 352.061 by section 1 of this**  
28 **2017 Act apply to evaluations submitted on or after the effective date**  
29 **of this 2017 Act.**