

House Bill 2209 2009 Legislative Session

Background

ORS 351.070 authorizes the State Board of Higher Education to prescribe fees for programs under the supervision of or control of the board. Student fees pay for programs and services such as the student union, student groups, campus recreation, and athletics. The amount varies depending on number of credits.

Summary

House Bill 2209 will allow the Oregon University System to change the name of student fees assessed under ORS Chapter 351.

Students approached the State Board of Higher Education and the Chancellor's office asking for this statutory change, as the current name, "incidental fees," does not accurately describe the type of programs and/or activities funded by such fees.

Amendments Necessary

After final drafting of HB 2209 was complete, changing the name of incidental fees to "activity" fees, students reconsidered the name change. In discussions with the Oregon Student Association, an amendment will be requested to change the name of "incidental fees" to "educational services and activity fees."

Fiscal Impact

This bill has no fiscal impact.

