

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and be placed on the Consent Calendar.
Vote:	5 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Dallum, Girod, Holvey, Lim, Witt
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Barnhart, Riley
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Meeting Dates:	2/21, 4/20

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Establishes Opportunity Expeditions program in the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) to provide grants to the Oregon Building Congress to support partnerships between public high schools and apprenticeship programs. Creates Opportunity Expeditions Fund in State Treasury. Appropriates \$70,000 out of the General Fund to BOLI for deposit into the fund.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of measure.

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND: Vocational education is not widely available in Oregon's public schools, particularly small rural schools. The Oregon Building Congress (OBC) is a non-profit organization that currently works with schools to increase vocational education opportunities in the building trades. Under HB 2412A, OBC awards grants to public high schools using guidelines created by BOLI. The guidelines give preference to schools whose proposed programs include a trip of one week or more during which students are exposed to four or more apprenticeable trades. Programs that result in credit towards a high school diploma are also preferenced. OBC reports annually to BOLI on the attainment of performance measures.