A-Engrossed Senate Bill 821

Ordered by the Senate May 7 Including Senate Amendments dated May 7

Sponsored by Senator ROSENBAUM, Representative SCHAUFLER; Senator BATES, Representatives CAMERON, MATTHEWS, MAURER, OLSON, WITT

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.

Permits collective bargaining units to agree with public body employers to establish retiree medical trusts, voluntary employees' beneficiary associations, health reimbursement arrangements or other agreements for health care expenses of employees or retirees **if provisions of agreement comply with Insurance Code**. **Creates exception.**

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to health care expense agreements; amending ORS 243.252; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 243.252 is amended to read:

243.252. (1) The state may pay none of the cost of making health benefit plan coverage available to a retired state employee who is an eligible employee and to family members or may agree, by collective bargaining agreement or otherwise, to pay part or all of that cost.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section or other law, except ORS 243.886, prohibits a collective bargaining unit from agreeing with an employer that is a public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, to establish a retiree medical trust, voluntary employees' beneficiary association, health reimbursement arrangement or other agreement for health care expenses of employees or retirees if the provisions of the trust, association, arrangement or other agreement comply with the requirements of the Insurance Code.

SECTION 2. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on its passage.

16 17

1

5

6

8

9

10

11 12

13

14

15