B-Engrossed Senate Bill 894

Ordered by the Senate June 16 Including Senate Amendments dated May 5 and June 16

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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.

Directs Department of Transportation to use, up to specified amount, one-half of one percent of federal funds department receives to increase diversity in highway construction workforce and prepare individuals interested in entering highway construction workforce by conducting specified activities.

Directs department to report on funds and activities to Legislative Assembly on or before December 1 of each even-numbered year.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT
2	Relating to transportation workforce development; and declaring an emergency.
3	Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
4	SECTION 1. (1) Of the federal funds received by the Department of Transportation pur-
5	suant to 23 U.S.C. 140(b), the department shall expend one-half of one percent up to an
6	amount of \$1.5 million to increase diversity in the highway construction workforce and pre-
7	pare individuals interested in entering the highway construction workforce by conducting the
8	activities described in subsection (3) of this section.
9	(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section prohibits the department from expending
10	moneys from sources other than those specified in subsection (1) of this section for the ac-
11	tivities described in subsection (3) of this section.
12	(3) The department shall use the federal funds specified in subsection (1) of this section
13	to provide:
14	(a) Preapprenticeship programs;
15	(b) Preemployment counseling;
16	(c) Orientations on the highway construction industry;
17	(d) Basic skills improvement classes;
18	(e) Career counseling;
19	(f) Remedial training;
20	(g) Entry requirements for training programs;
21	(h) Supportive services and assistance with transportation;
22	(i) Child care and other special needs; and

- 23 (j) Job site mentoring and retention services.
- 24 (4) The department shall submit a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than De-
- 25 cember 1 of each even-numbered year. The report shall contain:

1 (a) An analysis of the results of the department's activities described in subsection (3)

2 of this section; and

3 (b) A description of:

4 (A) The amount available to the department from federal funds for the activities de-5 scribed in subsection (3) of this section and the amount expended by the department for 6 those activities; and

7 (B) The performance outcomes achieved from each activity including the numbers of 8 persons receiving services, training and employment.

9 <u>SECTION 2.</u> Section 1 of this 2009 Act becomes operative October 1, 2009.

10 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 11 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect 12 on its passage.

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