Senate Bill 899

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 **as introduced**.

Establishes Professional Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program for purpose of awarding grants to school districts to provide professional technical education.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Education for purpose of grant program.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2009.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to grants to school districts for workforce development; appropriating money; and declaring
 an emergency.

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

5 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Professional Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program is 6 established within the Department of Education.

7 (2) Subject to appropriations made for the purpose of the grant program, the department 8 shall award up to 10 grants each biennium to schools to provide a professional technical ed-9 ucation program. Grants are awarded on the basis of two calendar years and may be re-

10 **newed.**

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11 (3) Grants received under this section must be used to:

12 (a) Develop or enhance a professional technical education program;

(b) Expand the professional growth and career opportunities for students through a pro fessional technical education program; and

(c) Assess the ability of the professional technical education program to meet workforce
 needs and give students the skills required for jobs in Oregon that provide high wages and
 are in high demand.

(4) Any school district may apply for a grant under this section. The department shall
award grants based on the ability of the applicant to use a grant as provided under subsection (3) of this section and shall, to the extent practicable, ensure representation of school
districts of different sizes and in different geographic locations.

(5) The State Board of Education may adopt any necessary rules for the implementation
 of this section.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$_____ for the purpose of awarding grants under the Professional Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program established under section 1 of this 2009 Act.

29 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 30 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect SB 899

- 1 July 1, 2009.
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