House Bill 2995

Sponsored by Representative RICHARDSON (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Requires Employment Department to adopt rules requiring drug testing of applicants for and recipients of unemployment insurance benefits. Applies to applicants for and recipients of unemployment insurance benefits on or after July 1,

2012.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to drug testing of claimants of unemployment insurance benefits.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2011 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 657. 4

 $\mathbf{5}$ SECTION 2. The Employment Department shall adopt rules that:

6 (1) Require all applicants for and recipients of unemployment insurance benefits to un-7 dergo testing for substances of abuse as defined in ORS 438.010.

8 (2) Disqualify an individual for unemployment insurance benefits if the testing described

- 9 in this section produces a positive result for the individual, unless the individual is willing
- 10 to participate in a drug treatment program.

11 (3) Establish procedures for notice to claimants and employing units, and for hearings 12upon claims, related to actions taken pursuant to the rules adopted under this section.

13(4) Require the testing for substances of abuse to comply with the requirements of ORS 14 438.435.

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SECTION 3. (1) Section 2 of this 2011 Act becomes operative on July 1, 2012.

16 (2) The Employment Department may take any action before the operative date specified 17 in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the department to exercise, on 18 and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and powers conferred on the department by section 2 of this 2011 Act. 19

20 SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2011 Act applies to individuals who apply for or receive 21unemployment insurance benefits on or after the operative date specified in section 3 of this 222011 Act.

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