



SUPPORT SB 782-A6

For decades, management and labor groups in the construction industry worked together to craft well thought out reforms to many policies that affect our industry.

Oregon's construction industry has a longstanding tradition of collaborative lawmaking. Since the Mahonia Hall reforms in 1990, when management and labor convened at the Governor's residence to negotiate the monumental workers' compensation reforms that made our state a leader in efficient and effective workers compensation programs, management and labor have come together in a bi-partisan fashion time and time again to resolve other issues, including a rewrite of our state's public contracting code in the early 2000s and the Construction Manager General Contractor (CMGC) workgroup which convened last year.

SB 782-A6 would establish a workgroup, consisting of management and labor as well as a bipartisan group of legislators, to recommend a balanced approach to developing a comprehensive apprenticeship utilization framework

Our industry has solved problems for the past 20 years by using the Mahonia Hall formula: a bi-partisan work group with representatives from labor and management coming together to build consensus. It is that time tested process that is encapsulated in the dash 6 amendments to SB 782.

SB 782-A6 will establish a workgroup to identify and recommend action on apprenticeship utilization, providing the Legislature a vehicle to move forward on substantive reforms.

Please join us in supporting SB 782-A6!