77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2013 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Higher Education & Workforce Development

REVENUE: No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 8 - 0 - 1

Yeas: Gallegos, Gorsek, Greenlick, Harker, Huffman, Johnson, Whisnant, Dembrow

MEASURE: HB 2689 A

CARRIER: Rep. Barnhart

Nays: 0 Exc.: Gilliam

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Meeting Dates: 3/6, 3/25

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Permits public bodies to enter into cooperative agreements with youth job development organizations for provision of services by youth participants on public resource projects. Exempts cooperative agreements from Public Contracting Code. Specifies assurances to be contained in agreements. Adds youth job development organizations to entities eligible under Career and Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program. Requires partnerships with educational entity to qualify for grant program.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Inability of youth job development entities to contract with local governments
- Comparable cooperative agreements used with federal agencies
- Current educational programs operating in Oregon

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Requires youth job development organizations to partner with educational institutions in order to qualify for Career and Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 2689-A establishes a streamlined, collaborative, project-based process, whereby public bodies may enter into agreements with youth job development organizations allowing youth participants (age 13 to 22) to work on public resource projects for job training and experience. The measure also adds youth job development programs to the type of entities eligible to receive funding through the Career and Technical Education Revitalization Grant Program, in partnership with educational entities.