A-Engrossed House Bill 2727

Ordered by the House March 28 Including House Amendments dated March 28

Sponsored by Representative HOLVEY; Representatives BARNHART, HARKER, KOMP

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.

Establishes State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund and continuously appropriates moneys in fund to State Apprenticeship and Training Council **and Bureau of Labor and Industries** for specified purposes.

Requires contracting agency to pay into State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund amount equivalent to \$500 for each \$1 million increment of contracting agency's share of public improvement contract price above threshold amount of \$1 million. Exempts Department of Transportation in certain circumstances.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to vocational education; appropriating money; and declaring an emergency.
 - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 2 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 660.002 to 660.210.
 - SECTION 2. (1) The State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The moneys in the State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund consist of amounts collected under section 4 of this 2013 Act from contracting agencies that award public improvement contracts.
 - (2) Moneys in the State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund may be invested as provided in ORS 293.701 to 293.820. Interest from any source derived from investing the moneys of the fund must be credited to the fund.
 - (3) The moneys in the State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund are continuously appropriated to:
 - (a) The State Apprenticeship and Training Council for the purposes of making grants on a competitive basis and in conformance with a plan adopted under ORS 279C.807 to programs that directly provide career technical education for occupations prevalent in the construction industry. The council may consult with the Department of Education in determining which programs should receive awards.
 - (b) The Bureau of Labor and Industries for the purpose of overseeing and monitoring apprenticeship education and training programs, including programs identified in paragraph (a) of this subsection, for compliance with applicable rules, standards and laws.
 - (4) The council may make grants from the State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund for the purposes described in subsection (3)(a) of this section to:
 - (a) Apprenticeship education and training programs, direct entry programs, and preap-

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prenticeship and youth apprenticeship programs that are registered with the council;

- (b) Public school districts, public schools, public charter schools, as defined in ORS 338.005, and education service districts; or
 - (c) Public post-secondary educational institutions.

- SECTION 3. Section 4 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 279C. SECTION 4. (1)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, a contracting agency that awards a contract for a public improvement shall pay an amount into the State Apprenticeship Education and Training Fund that is equivalent to \$500 for each \$1 million increment or fraction of each \$1 million increment of the contracting agency's share of the contract price for the public improvement, above a threshold amount of \$1 million. A contracting agency shall calculate and pay the amount required under this paragraph at the
- (b) The requirement to pay an amount described in paragraph (a) of this subsection does not apply to the Department of Transportation to the extent that the department must pay all or a portion of the department's share of the contract price for the public improvement from funds the department receives from the United States Department of Transportation or another federal agency or from funds that the Oregon Constitution requires the department to expend for specific public improvements or in a specific manner.

time the contracting agency awards the contract for the public improvement.

- (2) Notwithstanding ORS 279A.010 (1)(cc)(A), for purposes of subsection (1) of this section, "public improvement" includes a project for constructing, reconstructing or renovating real property by or for a contracting agency in which the contractor does not receive funds of the contracting agency but does receive a tax abatement, funds from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund, the Oregon Business Development Fund or another economic development fund, or other funds or incentives from a public body, as defined in ORS 174.109.
- SECTION 5. Section 4 of this 2013 Act applies to a public improvement contract that a contracting agency has advertised or otherwise solicited or, if the contracting agency has not advertised or solicited the public improvement contract, to a public improvement contract the contracting agency entered into on or after the operative date specified in section 6 of this 2013 Act.
 - SECTION 6. (1) Sections 2 and 4 of this 2013 Act become operative on January 1, 2014.
- (2) The State Apprenticeship and Training Council and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries may adopt rules and take related actions before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that are necessary to enable the council or the commissioner to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all the duties, functions and powers conferred on the council or the commissioner by section 2 of this 2013 Act.
- (3) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services, the Attorney General and a contracting agency that adopts rules under ORS 279A.065 may adopt rules and take related actions that are necessary to enable the department, the Attorney General or the contracting agency to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the department, the Attorney General or the contracting agency by section 4 of this 2013 Act.
- SECTION 7. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect

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