

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3315

Ordered by the House April 23
Including House Amendments dated April 23

Sponsored by Representatives WHISNANT, WITT

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.

[Requires that Director of the Employment Department's investigations of contractors performing reforestation work on federal forestland include investigation of contractor compliance with federal employment eligibility verification law. Requires director to report suspected violation of federal employment verification law to federal authorities.]

Requires Employment Department to report employer contracting for forest maintenance activity on federal forestland if employer is not in compliance with federal requirements for temporary employment certification.

Requires Employment Department to confirm whether listed forest maintenance activity jobs are available to Oregon resident workers. Requires department to take actions to notify Oregon resident workers of available forest maintenance activity jobs. Requires department to periodically inform past and present employers of workers in forest maintenance activity jobs regarding local availability of Oregon resident workers.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to forestland employment.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2013 Act are added to and made a part of ORS**
5 **chapter 657.**

6 **SECTION 2. If the Employment Department becomes aware in the normal course of**
7 **business that an employer has contracted with the United States to conduct forest mainte-**
8 **nance activity on federal forestland in this state and is not in compliance with the require-**
9 **ments under 20 C.F.R. 655 for H-2B temporary employment certification regarding the forest**
10 **maintenance activity, the department shall:**

11 **(1) Inform the employer of the noncompliance; and**

12 **(2) Inform the United States Department of Labor of the noncompliance.**

13 **SECTION 3. (1) If an employer lists an available forest maintenance activity job under a**
14 **federal H-2B certification for temporary nonagricultural work with the Employment De-**
15 **partment, the department shall:**

16 **(a) Confirm with the employer whether the job is open to Oregon resident workers;**

17 **(b) Notify the United States Department of Labor, union halls and community agencies**
18 **servicing unemployed Oregon resident workers that the job has been listed; and**

19 **(c) Display information concerning the job listing in prominent public locations fre-**
20 **quented by unemployed Oregon resident workers.**

21 **(2) The Employment Department shall periodically inform past and present employers of**
22 **workers for the performance of forest maintenance activities regarding the local supply of**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 **Oregon resident workers available to fill forest maintenance activity jobs that may become**
2 **available.**

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