



# Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association

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TO: House Committee on Higher Education and Workforce Development

RE: Support for SB 1566 A

We urge your support of SB 1566-A

**The Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association of Oregon urges your support and passage of SB 1566-A.**

SB 1566 better aligns the 14 federal programs intended to help the unemployed and underemployed get back to work and move along career pathways by addressing long standing governance challenges.

Numerous reports, including one required by the Oregon legislature under HB 4141 in the last biennium, identified the fragmented nature of the workforce system as a primary challenge to the efficient and effective delivery of services.

SB 1566 will greatly improve the system, coordination and communications between all key parties and provide for better alignment with future workforce needs of Oregon's employers.

**We urge your support of the measure!**

Sincerely,

Frank Wall, *PMCA Executive Director*

Brian Krieg, *Government Relations Representative*

The PMCA represents over 200 Oregon contractors who employ on average over 3,000 people working throughout the state.

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