

## AOI Supports HB 2728

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AOI urges your support of HB2728, which establishes the Oregon Talent Council (OTC). AOI represents more than 1500 businesses in Oregon, and together, those businesses provide close to 200,000 jobs across the state. Unfortunately, finding qualified workers to fill those jobs is an ongoing challenge.

In order to for our members to build their businesses and strengthen the economy, they need a strong supply of highly skilled workers. These workers are needed across every industry sector, and in every part of the state.

The establishment of the OTC offers a unique opportunity to provide seed funding in areas where industry, educators and workforce partners can most effectively increase Oregon's supply of skilled workers.

Oregon businesses would benefit from the establishment of the OTC, and we urge your support.

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