

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: SB 598 - 1**Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2015 Regular Session
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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on 21st Century Apprenticeship with 14 members appointed by President of Senate, Speaker of House of Representatives and Governor.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Assembly, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Employment Department, Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Business Development Department (Business Oregon)

Local Government Mandate:

This does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

Senate Bill 598 with the – 1 amendment establishes the 16 member Task Force on 21st Century Apprenticeship charged with studying, evaluating and making recommendations concerning career and technical education to apprenticeship. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2016. The bill contains an emergency clause and is effective on passage.

The fiscal impact of this task force is indeterminate because the bill is silent on which state agency is responsible for providing staff support to the task force. In addition, the bill allows for task force members who are not members of the Legislative Assembly to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing their duties, but the bill does not specify which agency is responsible for handling these reimbursements.

At least four members of the task force will be members of the Legislative Assembly who are entitled to compensation and reimbursement of expenses. Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

This bill is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal on the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), the Employment Department, the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC), the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), and the Business Development Department (Business Oregon). The agencies will use existing staff and resources to assist the task force in furnishing information and advice.