

# House Bill 2576

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## 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 **as introduced**.

Requires Legislative Fiscal Officer to prepare employment impact statements for legislative measures reported out of committee that affect employment in this state. Sets forth required content of statements.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to employment impacts of proposed legislation.

3       Whereas Oregon's unemployment rate has remained stubbornly high amidst the global recession;  
4 and

5       Whereas state government and local governments in Oregon need to use public resources wisely  
6 to keep Oregonians employed and spending locally; and

7       Whereas budget reductions need to be made wisely to ensure that the reductions do the least  
8 harm to the economy while being cognizant of and vigilant in promoting new opportunities that  
9 bolster new hiring in this state; now, therefore,

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

11       **SECTION 1. (1) The Legislative Fiscal Officer, with the aid of the Legislative Revenue**  
12 **Officer, the Employment Department, state agencies and affected local government units,**  
13 **including school districts, shall prepare an employment impact statement for each measure**  
14 **reported out of a committee of the Legislative Assembly that could have an effect on em-**  
15 **ployment in this state. Each employment impact statement shall include:**

16           (a) **An estimate of jobs lost, retained or created in this state;**

17           (b) **An explanation of whether the jobs described in paragraph (a) of this subsection are**  
18 **permanent or temporary positions;**

19           (c) **An analysis of indirect impacts of the employment changes on the overall economy,**  
20 **including effects of the measure on public sector and private sector employment; and**

21           (d) **An analysis of the types of jobs affected by the measure, setting forth salary and**  
22 **benefit changes expected if the measure becomes law.**

23       **(2) The Legislative Fiscal Officer shall publish guidance setting forth the methodologies,**  
24 **assumptions and factors used in preparing employment impact statements under this sec-**  
25 **tion.**

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