

Senate Bill 867

Sponsored by Senators KRUSE, ROBLAN, Representatives GOMBERG, SMITH DB; Senator JOHNSON, Representative MCKEOWN (at the request of Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association (OCZMA))

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**.

Creates Task Force on Maritime Sector Workforce Development. Directs task force to study and develop description of maritime sector and maritime sector workforce in Oregon and develop recommendations for State Workforce Investment Board to incorporate consideration of maritime sector into statewide workforce investment system plan.

Requires task force to report to certain committees of Legislative Assembly and to State Workforce Investment Board no later than September 15, 2018.

Sunsets task force on December 31, 2018.

Declares policy of state to promote coordinated provision of education, employment, economic development and job training to support maritime sector in Oregon.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to maritime sector workforce development; creating new provisions; amending ORS 660.300
3 and 660.302; and prescribing an effective date.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 660.300 is amended to read:

6 660.300. As used in ORS 660.300 to 660.364:

7 (1) "Chief elected official" means a county commissioner, a county judge or the mayor of the
8 City of Portland.

9 (2) "Federal Act" or "federal Workforce Investment Act" means the federal Workforce Invest-
10 ment Act of 1998 (enacted as P.L. 105-220 and codified as 29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.).

11 (3) "Local workforce investment area" means the City of Portland or a county when the city
12 or county has been designated as a local workforce investment area under ORS 660.324. "Local
13 workforce investment area" may include two or more counties that have joined together to form a
14 local workforce investment area and that have been designated as a local workforce investment area
15 under ORS 660.324.

16 (4) "Local workforce investment board" means a board established pursuant to section 2832 of
17 the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

18 (5) "**Maritime sector**" includes but is not limited to:

19 (a) **Enterprises engaged in the design, construction, manufacture, acquisition, operation,**
20 **supply, repair or maintenance of marine vessels or component parts of marine vessels;**

21 (b) **Enterprises engaged in managing or operating shipping lines;**

22 (c) **Customs brokerage services, shipyards, shipping and freight forwarding services, dry**
23 **docks, marine railways and marine repair shops;**

24 (d) **Enterprises engaged in commercial or recreational fishing;**

25 (e) **Enterprises engaged in the exploration or development of offshore oil and gas re-**
26 **sources;**

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 **(f) Enterprises and academic institutions engaged in scientific research of ocean pro-**
 2 **cesses, marine life or other ocean resources; and**

3 **(g) Enterprises engaged in marine tours or travel, water sports or other marine leisure**
 4 **activities.**

5 [(5)] **(6)** “Office” means the Office of Community Colleges and Workforce Development.

6 [(6)] **(7)** “Participant” means a person receiving services under Title I-B of the federal Workforce
 7 Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.).

8 [(7)] **(8)** “Participant records” means records relating to matters such as grades, conduct, per-
 9 sonal and academic evaluations, results of psychometric testing, counseling, disciplinary actions, if
 10 any, and other personal matters.

11 [(8)] **(9)** “State workforce agencies” means state agencies that administer workforce programs.

12 [(9)] **(10)** “Title I-B” means the adult, dislocated worker and youth programs delivered under the
 13 federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2801 et seq.).

14 [(10)] **(11)** “Workforce development” means services designed to help individuals attain employ-
 15 ment and progress along career pathways and to help businesses better achieve business goals by
 16 more easily finding skilled employees. “Workforce development” includes:

17 (a) Education, training and apprenticeship services;

18 (b) Labor market analysis;

19 (c) Employment and reemployment services;

20 (d) Employee recruitment and retention services; and

21 (e) Convening, coordinating, oversight and evaluation services for business and state workforce
 22 agencies.

23 [(11)] **(12)** “Workforce programs” means programs that have a primary mission of helping indi-
 24 viduals become employed, retain employment, increase wages and progress along career pathways
 25 and that are responsible for outcomes related to the primary mission.

26 **SECTION 2.** ORS 660.302 is amended to read:

27 660.302. The Legislative Assembly finds that a robust and effective workforce system is neces-
 28 sary to produce a highly skilled workforce, to advance more Oregonians into family wage jobs and
 29 to help Oregon businesses compete in a global economy. Therefore, the Legislative Assembly de-
 30 clares that it is the policy of this state to promote the coordinated provision of education, employ-
 31 ment, economic development and job training to:

32 (1) Develop a workforce system that is flexible, accountable, outcome-focused and data-driven;

33 (2) Meet the needs of employers for skilled, committed and innovative employees;

34 (3) Deliver an effective, efficient, highly integrated and responsive workforce system;

35 (4) Offer services;

36 (5) Ensure equity in program access, services and outcomes for populations that have histor-
 37 ically experienced high levels of unemployment, underemployment and poverty;

38 (6) Provide greater economic security and grow a more inclusive and dynamic economy;

39 (7) Support the economic health of local communities throughout this state with workforce sol-
 40 utions that meet community needs and advance the prosperity of Oregonians and Oregon-based
 41 businesses;

42 (8) Build on the WorkSource Oregon network of state workforce agencies, local workforce in-
 43 vestment boards, public and private secondary and post-secondary institutions of education and
 44 other public and private partners to deliver a comprehensive, robust and outcome-oriented array of
 45 services to unemployed and underemployed individuals and to businesses seeking employees; *[and]*

1 (9) Support the achievement of Oregon's 40-40-20 goal in conjunction with the education system
2 and private industry to ensure that more Oregonians may access opportunities to gain skills and
3 earn credentials to support their employment goals[.]; and

4 (10) Support the continuing economic health of the maritime sector in Oregon and pro-
5 vide opportunities for Oregonians to acquire family wage jobs in the maritime sector.

6 **SECTION 3. (1) The Task Force on Maritime Sector Workforce Development is estab-**
7 **lished.**

8 (2) The task force consists of 17 members appointed as follows:

9 (a) The President of the Senate shall appoint two members from among members of the
10 Senate.

11 (b) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint two members from among
12 members of the House of Representatives.

13 (c) The Governor shall appoint 13 members as follows:

14 (A) One member who represents commercial fishing interests;

15 (B) One member who represents recreational fishing interests;

16 (C) One member who represents the marine construction or repair industry;

17 (D) One member who represents the marine vessel construction or repair industry;

18 (E) One member who represents marine transportation or transit services;

19 (F) One member who represents mariners;

20 (G) One member who represents cities;

21 (H) One member who represents counties;

22 (I) One member who represents ports;

23 (J) One member who represents the State Workforce Investment Board;

24 (K) One member who represents Clatsop Community College;

25 (L) One member who represents Oregon Coast Community College; and

26 (M) One member who represents Oregon State University.

27 (3) In making appointments under subsection (2) of this section, the President of the
28 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall prioritize appointing to the
29 task force members of the Senate and members of the House of Representatives who repre-
30 sent coastal districts or districts that border the Columbia River.

31 (4) The task force shall:

32 (a) Study and develop a description of the scope and extent of the maritime sector and
33 the maritime sector workforce in Oregon, which shall include those members of the mari-
34 time sector workforce who are Oregon taxpayers but who work outside Oregon.

35 (b) Develop recommendations for the State Workforce Investment Board to address the
36 maritime sector in the unified plan for a statewide workforce investment system required
37 by ORS 660.324. Recommendations developed under this paragraph shall take into account:

38 (A) The needs of the maritime sector in Oregon;

39 (B) The continuing economic health of the maritime sector in Oregon; and

40 (C) Opportunities for Oregonians to acquire family wage jobs in the maritime sector.

41 (5) A majority of the voting members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the
42 transaction of business.

43 (6) Official action by the task force requires the approval of a majority of the voting
44 members of the task force.

45 (7) The task force shall elect one of its members to serve as chairperson.

1 (8) If there is a vacancy for any cause, the appointing authority shall make an appoint-
2 ment to become immediately effective.

3 (9) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson
4 or of a majority of the voting members of the task force.

5 (10) The task force may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the task force.

6 (11) The task force shall no later than September 15, 2018, submit a report in the manner
7 provided by ORS 192.245, that may include recommendations for legislation, to:

8 (A) One or more interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to workforce
9 development; and

10 (B) The State Workforce Investment Board for the board's consideration when updating
11 or amending the unified plan for a statewide workforce investment system required by ORS
12 660.324.

13 (12) The Association of Oregon Counties shall provide staff support to the task force,
14 dependent on resources available for such purposes.

15 (13) Members of the Legislative Assembly appointed to the task force are nonvoting
16 members of the task force and may act in an advisory capacity only.

17 (14) Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not
18 entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task
19 force.

20 (15) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist
21 the task force in the performance of the task force's duties and, to the extent permitted by
22 laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the task
23 force consider necessary to perform their duties.

24 **SECTION 4.** Section 3 of this 2017 Act is repealed on December 31, 2018.

25 **SECTION 5.** This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017
26 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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