

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 4042**

Ordered by the House February 15  
Including House Amendments dated February 15

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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.

Establishes Prosperity 1,000 Pilot Program to provide career coaching, occupational training and job placement services for 1,000 low-income job seekers [*in east Multnomah County*] **residing in areas of concentrated poverty in Multnomah and Washington Counties.**

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to [*State Workforce and Talent Development Board*] **Higher Education Coordinating Commission** for biennium ending June 30, 2019.  
Sunsets January 2, 2021.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

1  
2 Relating to a workforce development pilot program; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2018 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 660.300 to**  
5 **660.364.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) The Prosperity 1,000 Pilot Program is established to provide career**  
7 **coaching, occupational training and job placement services for 1,000 low-income job seekers**  
8 **who reside in areas of concentrated poverty within Multnomah and Washington Counties.**

9 **(2) The goals of the pilot program are to:**

10 **(a) Include 1,000 total participants;**

11 **(b) Ensure that 100 percent of the participants are individuals who receive supplemental**  
12 **nutrition assistance under ORS 411.806 to 411.845;**

13 **(c) Ensure that at least 50 percent of the participants are immigrants or members of a**  
14 **racial or ethnic minority group;**

15 **(d) Ensure that at least 50 percent of the participants are women;**

16 **(e) Ensure that individuals who are in offender reentry programs are included;**

17 **(f) Ensure that at least 80 percent of the participants successfully complete the program;**

18 **(g) Ensure that at least 75 percent of the participants successfully obtain employment;**

19 **and**

20 **(h) Ensure that at least 75 percent of the participants who successfully obtain employ-**  
21 **ment earn at least \$15 per hour.**

22 **(3) The pilot program shall be administered by the local workforce development board**  
23 **servicing Multnomah and Washington Counties. The board shall:**

24 **(a) Coordinate with nonprofit community-based organizations and educational insti-**  
25 **tutions to provide career coaching, occupational training and job placement services to pilot**

**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 **program participants;**

2 **(b) Distribute available funds to nonprofit community-based organizations and educa-**  
3 **tional institutions that provide services to pilot program participants; and**

4 **(c) Identify and conduct outreach to target sector businesses and industry organizations**  
5 **regarding participation in the pilot program.**

6 **(4)(a) As used in this subsection, the “SNAP Employment and Training Program” means**  
7 **the employment and training component of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance**  
8 **Program under 7 U.S.C. 2015(d)(4).**

9 **(b) The Department of Human Services shall:**

10 **(A) Incorporate the pilot program into the statewide plan for the SNAP Employment and**  
11 **Training Program;**

12 **(B) Seek federal reimbursement of 50 percent of the pilot program’s costs; and**

13 **(C) Refer individuals who receive supplemental nutrition assistance under ORS 411.806**  
14 **to 411.845 to participate in the pilot program.**

15 **(5)(a) The board and the department shall establish a joint steering committee to:**

16 **(A) Oversee the progress of the pilot program;**

17 **(B) Ensure that pilot program goals are met; and**

18 **(C) Coordinate necessary support services, including child care, for participants of the**  
19 **pilot program.**

20 **(b) The board shall provide staff support for the steering committee.**

21 **SECTION 3. The local workforce development board serving Multnomah and Washington**  
22 **Counties shall submit an annual report to the interim committees of the Legislative As-**  
23 **sembly related to workforce development no later than December 31 of each calendar year,**  
24 **in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, on the progress of the pilot program established un-**  
25 **der section 2 of this 2018 Act.**

26 **SECTION 4. There is appropriated to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, to**  
27 **be distributed in consultation with the State Workforce and Talent Development Board, for**  
28 **the biennium ending June 30, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$5,000,000, for**  
29 **distribution to the local workforce development board serving Multnomah and Washington**  
30 **Counties for the purpose of implementing the pilot program established under section 2 of**  
31 **this 2018 Act.**

32 **SECTION 5. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2018 Act are repealed on January 2, 2021.**

33 **SECTION 6. This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
34 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect**  
35 **on its passage.**

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