THUMBNAIL OF KEY CHANGES PROPOSED IN HOUSE BILL 2053 TO REQUIREMENTS ON BUSINESSES FOR EMPLOYEE PAY

PROGRAM - CURRENT STATE STATUTE

PROPOSALS

Business Retention and Expansion Program (BEP) – Wages ≥ 150% of county/state wage inside MSAs,	
≥ 130% in rural counties	unchanged with clarifications
(Also, target of 50 or more new jobs	cut in half outside MSAs)
Regionally Significant Industrial Site (RSIS) –	
Wages ≥ 150% of county/state wage	≥ 130% for rural site
(Also, 50 more new urban jobs, 25 for rural	measured site-wide not by each employer)
Extended Enterprise Zone Abatement (from 3 to 5 years) –	
Nothing for urban zones in Portland-Salem region	all 17 urban zones allowed to set alternative*
Wages ≥ 100% of county wage	
Wages w/benefits ≥ 130% or 150% of county wage	
Long-term Enterprise Zone Facility (most rural zones) –	
Wages ≥ 100% of county wage	≥ 110% of county/state wage, ≥ 115% along I-5
Wages w/benefits ≥ 130% or 150% of county wage	
Oregon Investment Advantage (OIA) –	
Wages ≥ 100% of county wage	≥ 110% of current county/state wage
Minimum wage w/benefit ≥ 100%, 130% or 150% of	
county per capita income	removed
(Also, no limit on subtraction	
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MSA – federally designated metropolitan statistical area



^{*}Using existing local policy provisions but with prescribed baseline for minimum pay; 10 of the 17 are in the Portland-Vancouver-Hillsboro MSA; Salem MSA has one urban enterprise zone.