

Requested by Senator JAMA

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3176**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 28.

2 Delete page 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Welcome and Reception Program is estab-**
4 **lished within the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement for**
5 **the purpose of providing immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers the**
6 **following support services:**

7 **“(a) Short-term wraparound support services, including shelter,**
8 **food, clothing, health care and transportation.**

9 **“(b) Long-term support services related to housing, legal services,**
10 **education, employment and leadership development.**

11 **“(2) Under the program, and except as provided in subsection (3)**
12 **of this section:**

13 **“(a) The office shall enter into contracts and coordinate with or-**
14 **ganizations to provide the support services.**

15 **“(b) Compensation under a contract to provide support services**
16 **shall be on a per person basis based on the number of persons for**
17 **whom the organization provides support services.**

18 **“(3) To provide legal services under the Welcome and Reception**
19 **Program, the office shall coordinate with community-based organiza-**
20 **tions to provide legal services through the universal representation**
21 **program established under section 2, chapter 88, Oregon Laws 2022.**

1 **“SECTION 2. The Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement**
2 **shall begin providing support services under section 1 of this 2023 Act**
3 **no later than March 31, 2024.**

4 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2,**
5 **2025.**

6 **“SECTION 4. An organization that has been awarded a contract**
7 **under section 1 of this 2023 Act shall provide a report on performance**
8 **outcomes for the support services provided pursuant to the contract**
9 **to the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement no later than**
10 **June 30, 2025.**

11 **“SECTION 5. The Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement**
12 **shall provide a report on the implementation and status of the Wel-**
13 **come and Reception Program established under section 1 of this 2023**
14 **Act in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recom-**
15 **mendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legisla-**
16 **tive Assembly related to human services no later than September 1,**
17 **2025.**

18 **“SECTION 6. Sections 4 and 5 of this 2023 Act are repealed on Jan-**
19 **uary 2, 2026.**

20 **“SECTION 7. ORS 185.650, as amended by section 8, chapter 118, Oregon**
21 **Laws 2022, is amended to read:**

22 “185.650. (1) There is established within the Department of Human Ser-
23 vices the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement for the purpose of
24 operating a statewide immigrant and refugee integration strategy.

25 “(2) The Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement is under the
26 supervision and control of a director, who is responsible for the performance
27 of the duties, functions and powers of the office. The director shall be chosen
28 through an open hiring process. In addition to the director, the office shall
29 include at least the following full-time staff members:

30 “(a) One staff member who focuses on community partnerships;

1 “(b) One staff member who focuses on data collection and research; and

2 “(c) One staff member who focuses on administrative support for the of-
3 fice.

4 “(3) The office shall:

5 “(a) Advocate for and partner with statewide immigrant and refugee pro-
6 grams and services that coordinate with long-term support services to meet
7 the needs of immigrant and refugee populations in this state;

8 “(b) **Convene representatives from state agencies, community-based**
9 **organizations and other stakeholders to coordinate and implement**
10 **policy recommendations on behalf and for the benefit of immigrant**
11 **and refugee communities;**

12 “(c) **Provide outreach, education and training to the Legislative**
13 **Assembly, state agencies, community-based organizations, local gov-**
14 **ernments, health care system partners and other stakeholders to im-**
15 **prove access to state programs, social services, health care, workforce**
16 **development, language access, immigration legal services and profes-**
17 **sional development activities;**

18 “[*b*] (d) Collect data on immigrant and refugee populations in this state
19 for the purposes of determining the needs of the populations and tracking
20 progress in reducing social, economic and health disparities for the popu-
21 lations;

22 “[*c*] (e) Monitor and protect data collected under this subsection and
23 ensure that any data collected and maintained by the office is not disclosed
24 to any person or entity not affiliated with the office;

25 “[*d*] (f) Track state legislation that impacts immigrant and refugee
26 populations in this state;

27 “[*e*] (g) Ensure that any racial and ethnic impact statements for legis-
28 lation accurately include the impact to immigrants and refugees in this state
29 who are individuals who are Black, indigenous or other people of color;

30 “[*f*] (h) Advocate for resources from the federal government to support

1 the immigrant and refugee populations;

2 “[(g)] (i) Monitor and, unless prohibited by federal or state law or rule,
3 publish any investments made by the state for the benefit and support of the
4 immigrant and refugee populations;

5 “[(h)] (j) Partner with other state agencies as needed to meet the objec-
6 tives of the office;

7 “[(i)] (k) Partner with community-based organizations as needed to meet
8 the objectives of the office; and

9 “[(j)] (L) Adopt rules as necessary to carry out this section.

10 **“SECTION 8. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-
11 ation, there is appropriated to the Office of Immigrant and Refugee
12 Advancement, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the
13 General Fund, the amount of \$_____, for providing support services
14 under the Welcome and Reception Program established under section
15 1 of this 2023 Act.**

16 **“SECTION 9. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate
17 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
18 declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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