

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 1086

By COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND BUSINESS

April 7

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “inspectors;” insert “creating new provisions;”.

2 Delete lines 5 through 29 and delete page 2 and insert:

3 “**SECTION 1. (1)(a) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall assist and**
4 **provide staff support to the Oregon Building Officials Association for the purpose of devel-**
5 **oping and submitting to the State Apprenticeship and Training Council a proposal to estab-**
6 **lish an apprenticeship program for building inspectors that meets the requirements set forth**
7 **in ORS 660.002 to 660.210 and qualifies as the practical experience equivalent of the training**
8 **and experience standards described in ORS 455.720 (1)(a).**

9 “**(b) At the association’s request, the Bureau of Labor and Industries shall provide**
10 **technical assistance for the development and submission of the proposal described in para-**
11 **graph (a) of this subsection.**

12 “**(2) After the council approves the proposal described in subsection (1) of this section,**
13 **the department shall within 90 days after the date of the council’s approval establish and**
14 **provide technical assistance to a state joint apprenticeship committee for building inspectors.**

15 “**SECTION 2.** ORS 455.720 is amended to read:

16 “455.720. (1) In accordance with applicable provisions of ORS chapter 183, to promote effective
17 and uniform enforcement of the state building code by improving the competence of building officials
18 and inspectors, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, with the advice
19 of the advisory boards, shall:

20 “(a) Establish for building officials and inspectors reasonable minimum training and experience
21 standards, including but not limited to courses or subjects for instruction, facilities for instruction,
22 qualification of instructors and methods of instruction. The standards [*shall*] **must** include pro-
23 visions for determining a practical experience equivalent **that may consist of completion of an**
24 **apprenticeship program.**

25 “(b) Establish a procedure to be used by municipalities to determine whether a person meets
26 minimum standards or has minimum training to be appointed or employed as a building official or
27 inspector. The procedure [*shall*] **must** allow for a field examination of a person to determine if the
28 person meets the practical experience equivalent of a minimum standard.

29 “(c) Subject to such terms, conditions and classifications as the director may impose, certify
30 building officials as being qualified, and revoke such certifications in the manner provided in ORS
31 455.740.

32 “(d) Require an applicant for a certificate as a building official or inspector to demonstrate
33 knowledge of the laws governing accessibility to buildings by persons with disabilities by passing
34 an examination prescribed by the director.

35 “(2) The director shall maintain and, upon request of municipalities, furnish information on ap-

1 plicants for appointment or employment as building officials or inspectors.

2 “(3) Pursuant to ORS chapter 183, the director shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the
3 certification programs provided by subsection (1) of this section.

4 “(4) The director, by rule, may require evidence of completion of continuing education covering
5 any certification created under this section as a condition of maintaining the certification. Nothing
6 in this subsection shall prohibit the director from delegating any of this power to a municipality.

7 “(5) The director, with the advice of the appropriate advisory boards, may adopt rules for cer-
8 tifying inspectors as being qualified to enforce one or more particular specialty codes, subject to any
9 terms, conditions and classifications the director may impose, and for revoking those certifications
10 in the manner provided in ORS 455.740.

11 **“SECTION 3. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.**

12 **“SECTION 4. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025**
13 **regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”.**

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