

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means
<b>Vote:</b>	8 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Bailey, Bentz, Galizio, Gilliam, Holvey, Thatcher, Witt, Read
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	4/21, 4/28

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Instructs State Workforce Investment Board to develop a plan to promote the growth of green jobs. Requires the plan to identify high demand green industries and promote certain workforce development activities. Requires Board to define “green jobs” and “green economy”. Mandates a final plan be submitted to the Legislative Assembly by January 14, 2010.

Requires Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECDD) to develop criteria for and make recommendations about promoting green industries, technology and innovation. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- How proposed amendments would affect the measure
- Additional burden on taxpayers to support this program
- Need for a comprehensive statewide strategy to develop green jobs

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Adds registered apprenticeship programs and other private sector training programs to the definition of organizations developing workforce development activities. Adds additional stakeholders for the Board to collaborate with including business, labor and low income advocacy groups.

**BACKGROUND:** “Green jobs” have been broadly defined as jobs that increase energy efficiency, produce renewable energy, reduce environmental degradation, or provide supporting services related to these areas.

House Bill 3300A targets populations of workers already in “green” careers as well as workers in declining industries, such as timber and agriculture, veterans, and members of disadvantaged groups.