Senate Bill 966

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES

SUMMARY

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Requires Oregon Department of Administrative Services to develop and administer, or enter into contract with private entity to develop and administer, training program for members, administrators or directors of boards, commissions and small entities of executive department.

Lists requirements of training program.

Requires each new member and new administrator or director of board, commission or small entity of executive department to attend training within six months of start of member's service or administrator or director's employment.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

1 **A BILL FOR AN ACT**

2 Relating to training programs for public officials; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 **(a) "Executive department" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.112.**

6 **(b) "Small entity" means an agency or department that has a staff of fewer than 50**

7 **full-time equivalent employees.**

8 **(2) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall develop and administer, or**

9 **shall enter into a contract with a private entity to develop and administer, a training pro-**

10 **gram that provides training and instruction on:**

11 **(a) Oregon government ethics laws;**

12 **(b) Restrictions on political activity that apply to public officials and public employees;**

13 **(c) Oregon public records laws;**

14 **(d) Oregon public meetings laws;**

15 **(e) Operation and management of boards, commissions and other small entities of the**

16 **executive department; and**

17 **(f) Other topics that the department determines may be beneficial for new members or**

18 **new administrators or directors of boards, commissions and other small entities of the**

19 **executive department.**

20 **(3) The training program shall be designed to facilitate understanding of and compliance**

21 **with the requirements of the laws that are the subject of the training.**

22 **(4) The training program shall be offered at least four times per year to all new members**

23 **and new administrators and directors of any board, commission or other small entity of the**

24 **executive department.**

25 **(5) Each new member and new administrator or director of a board, commission or other**

26 **small entity of the executive department shall attend the training described in this section**

27 **within six months of the start of the member's service, or administrator or director's em-**

28 **ployment, with a board, commission or other small entity of the executive department. A**

1   **member, administrator or director who has attended the training once need not attend the**

2   **training again in the event of a transfer to another board, commission or other small entity**

3   **of the executive department, if there has been no break in service of longer than 12 months.**

4   **(6) The department shall consider whether the training program required under this**

5   **section should be conducted online.**

6   <u>**SECTION 2.**</u> **(1) Section 1 of this 2015 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2016.**

7   **(2) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services may take any action before the**

8   **operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary for the department**

9   **to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of**

10   **the duties, functions and powers conferred on the department by section 1 of this 2015 Act.**

11   <u>**SECTION 3.**</u> **This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**

12   **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**

13   **on its passage.**

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