

**SB 5516**

**Bureau of Labor and Industries**

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SB 5516 is the budget bill for the Bureau of Labor and Industries. The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends a total funds budget of \$31,416,923 and 112 positions (108.80 FTE). The recommended budget includes the following enhancements to increase transparency and customer service:

- Upgrades to the agency’s website to allow for self-service and access to publications;
- A staff person devoted to fulfilling public records requests involving employer and claimant case files;
- Focused customer service for technical assistance and apprenticeship in Eastern Oregon;
- An additional Civil Rights investigator position;
- A full time accountant, and a part time office support position in the Wage and Hour Division; and
- Expenditure limitation and position authority sufficient to complete grant funded activities that support the expansion of apprenticeship programs for non-traditional occupations.

Targets for several key performance measures were increased based on recent performance and the agency is one of the few, if not the only, agency that strives for a customer satisfaction rating of 100%.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 5516 be amended by the –2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.