

Senate Bill 845

Sponsored by Senator JOHNSON

SUMMARY

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Adds member with experience in administering health benefit plans to Public Employees' Benefit Board.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Public Employees' Benefit Board; amending ORS 243.061.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 243.061 is amended to read:

243.061. (1) There is created in the Oregon Health Authority the Public Employees' Benefit Board consisting of at least *[eight]* **nine** voting members and two members of the Legislative Assembly as nonvoting advisory members. Two of the voting members are ex officio members and *[six]* **seven** are appointed by the Governor. The voting members shall be:

(a) Four members representing the state as an employer and management employees, who shall be as follows:

(A) The Director of the Oregon Health Authority or a designee of the director;

(B) The Director of the Health Policy and Analytics Division of the Oregon Health Authority or the director's designee; and

(C) Two management employees appointed by the Governor from areas of state government other than the Oregon Health Authority; *[and]*

(b) Four members appointed by the Governor and representing nonmanagement representable employees, who shall be as follows:

(A) Two persons from the largest employee representative unit;

(B) One person from the second largest employee representative unit; and

(C) One person from representable employees not represented by employee representative units described in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph; **and**

(c) One member of the public appointed by the Governor who has experience in administering health benefit plans.

(2) One member of the Senate shall be appointed by the President of the Senate and one member of the House of Representatives shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House to serve as nonvoting advisory members.

(3)(a) If the governing body of a local government elects to participate in a benefit plan offered by the board, in addition to the members appointed under subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the Governor shall appoint two voting members, one of whom represents local government management and one of whom represents local government nonmanagement employees.

(b) After the appointment of members under paragraph (a) of this subsection, if the number of

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 eligible employees of a local government or local governments enrolled in a benefit plan or plans
2 offered by the board exceeds 25,000, the Governor shall appoint two additional voting members, one
3 of whom represents local government management and one of whom represents local government
4 nonmanagement employees.

5 (c) After the appointment of members under paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, for every
6 additional 25,000 eligible employees of a local government or local governments enrolled in a benefit
7 plan or plans offered by the board, the Governor shall appoint one additional voting member repre-
8 senting local government management and one additional voting member representing local govern-
9 ment nonmanagement employees.

10 (4) A maximum of three members may be appointed to represent local government management
11 and a maximum of three members may be appointed to represent local government nonmanagement
12 employees.

13 (5) The term of office of each appointed voting member is four years, but an appointed voting
14 member serves at the pleasure of the Governor. Before the expiration of the term of a voting mem-
15 ber appointed by the Governor, the Governor shall appoint a successor to take office upon the date
16 of that expiration. A member is eligible for reappointment. If there is a vacancy for any cause, the
17 Governor shall make an appointment to become immediately effective for the unexpired term.

18 (6) The appointments by the Governor of voting members of the board are subject to confirma-
19 tion by the Senate in the manner prescribed in ORS 171.562 and 171.565.

20 (7) Members of the board who are not members of the Legislative Assembly shall receive no
21 compensation for their services, but shall be paid for their necessary and actual expenses while on
22 official business in accordance with ORS 292.495. Members of the board who are members of the
23 Legislative Assembly shall be paid compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS
24 171.072, payable from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.

25 (8) As used in this section, "benefit plan" and "local government" have the meanings given those
26 terms in ORS 243.105.

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