

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Department of Consumer and Business Services Pandemic Response

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Gomberg

On February 8th, the Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommended approval of the submission of a federal grant application from the Department of Consumer and Business Services to the U.S. Department of Labor for federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration in the amount of \$2,900,000 for COVID-19 related activities.

The federal funds provided by this grant will cover COVID-19 related costs that Oregon OSHA is currently paying for with Other Funds, freeing up state funding to pay for:

- Oregon OSHA safety conferences and consultations to underrepresented communities,
- Replacement of lab equipment,
- Public education material for employers, and
- The continuation of a grant program that provides funds to community organizations for health and safety training.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends approval.