

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 5515

Bureau of Labor and Industries

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

SB 5515 is the budget bill for the Bureau of Labor and Industries. The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends a Total Funds budget of \$47,383,322 and 142 positions for the 2023-25 biennium. This is a 9.6% increase from the agency's current service level.

The recommended budget includes carryover General Fund to complete the Future Ready Oregon grant program and the relocation of the agency's Portland headquarters. The Veterans Apprenticeship support position, previously funded by lottery funds, will be continued on an ongoing basis. Additionally, the recommendation eliminates four long-term vacant positions and creates five new positions to enhance the agency's capacity in areas such as human resources, case management, legal liability management, and public records coordination. Furthermore, the Apprenticeship and Training Division's ODOT Highway Diversity Project will be expanded through additional grant funds to support diverse apprentices in the heavy highway trades.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends SB 5515 be amended by the –2 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.