

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2294

Relating to pilot projects for firefighter apprenticeship training

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Hansell

HB 2294 directs the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) to develop and administer a grant program for up to 10 pilot projects for firefighter apprenticeship programs. The projects must provide on-the-job training and education and collaborate with associations representing fire service professionals. In addition, the measure requires BOLI to submit a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2026. The measure sunsets on January 1, 2027 and appropriates \$5 million General Fund for the purposes of the measure.

The Transportation and Economic Development Subcommittee recommends HB 2294 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.