House Bill 2042

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires Bureau of Labor and Industries to establish and administer grant program to support development and implementation of registered apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs in wine and nursery industries.

Authorizes State Apprenticeship and Training Council to award grants to certain entities that develop apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs in wine and nursery industries that provide certain occupational training. Requires council to award grants on competitive basis.

Provides purposes for which grant moneys may be used. Requires recipient of grant moneys to track and report to council on status of any apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs developed with grant moneys.

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- Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**
 - (a) "Community-based organization" means nonprofit organizations that are representative of a particular community or segments of a community and that are located within or in close proximity to the community served by the organization.
 - (b) "Nursery industry" means an industry in which nursery stock and other nurseryrelated products are propagated, produced and raised for retail or commercial sale.
 - (c) "Nursery stock" has the meaning given that term in ORS 571.005.
 - (d) "Wine industry" means an industry in which grapes are cultivated, harvested and produced for wine production.
 - (2) The Bureau of Labor and Industries shall establish and administer a grant program to provide financial support for the development and implementation of registered apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs in the wine industry and nursery industry.
 - (3) The State Apprenticeship and Training Council, under the direction of the Apprenticeship and Training Division of the Bureau of Labor and Industries, may award grants to community-based organizations, labor organizations and other entities to develop and implement apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs in the wine and nursery industries that provide, at a minimum, occupational training in one or more of the following:
 - (a) Plant and soil science.
 - (b) Irrigation and irrigation systems.
 - (c) Grafting, pruning, budding, potting and other practices related to the propagation and production of nursery stock.
 - (d) The cultivation, harvesting and production of grapes and other skills common to viticulture.
 - (4) The Apprenticeship and Training Division of the Bureau of Labor and Industries shall

recommend for approval by the council:

- (a) The criteria and standards by which the entities described in subsection (3) of this section may submit proposals to receive a grant under this section and the general terms and conditions of the grants.
 - (b) The grant proposals to consider in awarding grants.
- (5) The council shall award grants under this section on a competitive basis, taking into consideration proposals that describe how an entity described in subsection (3) of this section will engage with employers in the targeted industry sectors to provide the training necessary in order for an apprentice to obtain gainful employment in the wine industry or nursery industry.
 - (6) A recipient of a grant under this section may use the moneys:
 - (a) To pay the costs of convening employers in the wine and nursery industries;
 - (b) To recruit and conduct outreach for apprentices;
- (c) To provide tuition and fee assistance to participants in an apprenticeship or preapprenticeship training program developed under this section;
 - (d) To pay the costs of tools, supplies and equipment and other training-related costs;
 - (e) To pay for technology supports;
- (f) To provide apprentices with supportive services to facilitate successful completion of an apprenticeship or preapprenticeship training program developed under this section;
- (g) To develop uniform occupational standards for new registered apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs developed under this section that comply with the established federal apprenticeship standards;
- (h) To develop a curriculum and standard courses of study for the instruction of apprentices; and
- (i) For any other activities that the bureau deems necessary to support the development of the apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training programs, and to support overall program participation.
 - (7) The bureau may adopt rules necessary to implement the provisions of this section.
- (8) Each grant recipient shall track and report to the council information regarding the status of each apprenticeship and preapprenticeship training program developed and implemented under this section and the use of grant funds.

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