

A-Engrossed Senate Bill 612

Ordered by the Senate April 25
Including Senate Amendments dated April 25

Sponsored by Senators CAMPOS, JAMA, Representatives VALDERRAMA, HARTMAN; Senators MANNING JR, PATTERSON, Representative PHAM K (Presession filed.)

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.

[Establishes Indigenous Language Justice Fund. Requires nonprofit organization in this state to serve as fiscal agent to receive disbursement of moneys for purposes related to supporting Indigenous languages interpretation in this state. Requires fiscal agent to annually report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly related to language interpretation services.]

Appropriates moneys to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to Pueblo Unido PDX for facilitating creation of certain language proficiency evaluations.

Appropriates moneys to department for distribution to Oregon Worker Relief for payments to individuals who provide interpretation services of specified languages.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2023.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to Indigenous languages; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$2,000,000 for distribution to Pueblo Unido PDX for facilitating the creation of language proficiency evaluations for interpreters of Indigenous languages spoken in present-day Mexico and Central and South America.

SECTION 2. There is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$500,000 for distribution to Oregon Worker Relief for payments to individuals who provide interpretation services of languages that are the national languages of small countries from which local populations have emigrated, languages spoken by small ethnic minority groups or languages spoken by Indigenous groups.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect July 1, 2023.

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.