



Senate Bill 850 with -2 Amendment:

Support Responsible Oregon Contractors and Workers

Senate Bill 850 sets several standards for construction contractors bidding for public work and ensures that projects are built by contractors who hold to the high standards we enjoy in Oregon. Similar to standards we have seen on certain Federal projects and state projects, Senate Bill 850 applies these standards to specific public works projects.

When projects have an estimated cost of \$1 million or more, *and* that use at least \$750,000 of public agency funds, **Senate Bill 850 requires that contractors:**

Either

- ✓ Employ apprentices to perform 15% of the work in apprenticeable occupations and be a registered training agent in Oregon.
- ✓ Establish/execute a plan for outreach, recruitment, and retention of women, minority individuals and veterans with an aspirational target of at 15% of the total work being performed by these individuals.
- ✓ Offer employer paid health care and retirement benefits.
- ✓ Require subcontractors with a contract of at least \$200,000 meet the above requirements as well.

Or

- ✓ Enter into a Project Labor Agreement (PLA).

The bill includes two exemptions, understanding these standards may not be accessible for all projects. The requirements will not apply to a project if;

- The public body carrying out the project demonstrates that the requirements would cause significant expense or delay, or
- That they would limit the pool of bidders to fewer than three.

Senate Bill 850 helps ensure good stewardship of public funds, and that Oregon’s dollars are invested in contractors and workers who are invested in Oregon and our communities.

Please support Oregon’s workforce and contractors by voting yes on SB 850.



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