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Bill Title: Relating to a task force on youth apprenticeships; declaring an emergency.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Legislative Policy and Research Office, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Task Force/Committee/Workgroup, Department of Education, Bureau of Labor and Industries

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Legislative Policy and Research Office	\$ 571,510	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 571,510	2	1.50
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 571,510	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 571,510	2	1.50
2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Legislative Policy and Research Office	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure creates a 13-member Task Force on Youth Apprenticeship which is to conduct a study on youth apprenticeship programs in the United States and youth workforce development activities and investments in Oregon. Members of the task force are eligible for compensation and reimbursement. The bill directs the Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO) to provide staff support for the task force and permits LPRO to contract with a third-party to assist with the study. The study is due on or before December 1, 2026. The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

Fiscal Analysis

Legislative Policy and Research Office

The bill requires the Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO) to provide staff support to the task force. Assuming monthly meetings over the course of 15 months, LPRO will require two full-time, limited duration positions, one Senior Legislative Analyst will coordinate the work of the task force and finalize recommendations for the task force report and one Senior Research Analyst will conduct research and analysis as directed by the task force. LPRO will use existing staff for administrative support. The estimated cost for these positions, including personal services and standard position-related costs, is \$571,510 General Fund. While the measure permits LPRO to contract with an outside vendor to complete the study, which LPRO estimates would cost approximately \$150,000, LPRO would still require a Senior Legislative Analyst to support the task force. After accounting for the procurement process, LPRO believes the earliest a third-party entity could begin work would be November 2025. However, the study can begin once staff is established if it remains with LPRO.

The estimated cost for compensating task force members is indeterminate and will depend on the number of task force members eligible for compensation, as outlined in ORS 292.495, and the number of meetings held, including the number of in-person meetings requiring travel reimbursement. The LPRO budget may need to be

increased during the 2025-27 biennium if the costs of the task force exceed available agency resources.

Legislative Assembly

The bill is expected to have a minimal impact on the Legislative Assembly. Although the 2025-27 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committees and task forces, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2025-27 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required. The cost for four members attending 18 meetings is \$22,700, the Legislative Assembly can absorb these costs.

Other Entities

The measure will have a minimal impact on the Bureau of Labor and Industries, the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, and the Oregon Department of Education.

Relevant Dates

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The task force is to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to government by December 1, 2026.