

House Bill 2976

Sponsored by Representative HARTMAN; Representatives ANDERSEN, CHAICHI, GAMBA, HUDSON, NGUYEN H, PHAM H, SMITH G, SOSA, WALTERS, Senators CAMPOS, FREDERICK, GORSEK, MANNING JR, PATTERSON, REYNOLDS, WOODS (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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act gives money to DAS to give to groups for indigenous languages. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to nonprofit groups for purposes related to interpretation of indigenous languages.

Declares an emergency, effective July 1, 2025.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to state financial administration; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$1,500,000 for distribution to Pueblo Unido PDX, a domestic nonprofit corporation, for:

(1) Facilitating the creation of additional language proficiency evaluations for interpreters of indigenous languages spoken in present-day Mexico, Central America or South America; and

(2) Recruitment, training, retention and coordination of interpretation assignments for individuals who need interpretation for an indigenous language of present-day Mexico, Central America or South America.

SECTION 2. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$500,000 for distribution to Oregon Worker Relief, a domestic nonprofit corporation, for payments to individuals who provide interpretation services for 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 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect July 1, 2025.

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.