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**Clackamas County Board of Commissioners
Policy Position
Relating to the Prosperity 10,000 Program**

Clackamas County supports HB 3669 to expand the work of the Prosperity 10,000 Program and create living wage employment opportunities.

Clackamas County has a vibrant and growing economy, with industry leaders in metals, machinery, healthcare, high-tech, forestry, food and beverage processing, renewable energy, nursery and agriculture, and software development. To continue growing, local businesses require adequate labor resources.

The Prosperity 10,000 Program has proven to be an effective tool to attract and develop a highly skilled local workforce to support business growth. As a past recipient of Prosperity 10,000 funding in FY 22/23, Clackamas County was able to serve 61 individuals, connecting 47 of those people to a job with an average hourly wage of \$23.96 in under 12 months. Where employment barriers exist, funding has also enabled the county to work with a wide range of community partners to provide wrap-around and educational/training services to ensure individuals are stabilized, prepared, and employed in their desired careers. Partnerships include the business community, Health, Housing and Human Services (H3S) programs including Health Centers, Behavioral Health Division, Housing (HCDD) and Social Services. Non-profits included recovery programs and re-entry housing such as Bridges to Change to provide stability.

As Clackamas County continues to incentivize business growth and communitywide prosperity, we look forward to future partnerships through the Prosperity 10,000 Program.

We urge a “yes” vote on HB 3669.

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