

## SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 358

By SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “agencies” insert “; and declaring an emergency”.

2 Delete lines 14 through 31 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. As used in sections 1 to 5 of this 2005 Act:**

4 **“(1) ‘Demonstration project’ means a natural resource management or restoration**  
5 **project that:**

6 **“(a) Is subject to the criteria and benchmarks established by the Oregon Quality Jobs**  
7 **Task Force;**

8 **“(b) Is designed to achieve quality employment goals; and**

9 **“(c) Utilizes alternative contracting or alternative funding methods.**

10 **“(2) ‘High quality job’ means an employment position that provides a living wage, health**  
11 **care, other employee benefits and opportunities for job advancement and training.**

12 **“(3) ‘Longer duration’ means an employment position that offers consistent, full-time**  
13 **work for all months of the calendar year, regardless of seasonal needs, availability or the**  
14 **duration of individual contracts or projects.**

15 **“(4) ‘Multiple beneficial outcomes’ means results from a demonstration project that**  
16 **provide more than just direct employment benefits. A project with multiple beneficial out-**  
17 **comes may provide, in addition to direct employment benefits, rural economic stability,**  
18 **progress toward recovery goals for endangered or threatened species, environmental bene-**  
19 **fits, cost efficiency or cost effectiveness.**

20 **“(5) ‘Natural resource management and restoration’ means watershed restoration,**  
21 **silvicultural activities, transportation projects and other physical activities that affect na-**  
22 **tural resources.**

23 **“(6) ‘Quality employment goals’ means written statements adopted by the Oregon Quality**  
24 **Jobs Task Force that establish a preference for high quality jobs and longer duration, higher**  
25 **skilled employment opportunities.**

26 **“SECTION 2. (1) There is established the Oregon Quality Jobs Task Force consisting of**  
27 **11 members appointed by the Governor.**

28 **“(2) The task force shall be composed of the following members:**

29 **“(a) A chairperson appointed by the Governor;**

30 **“(b) Four members, as determined by the Governor or the chairperson, representing any**  
31 **of the following agencies with no more than one person from any one agency:**

32 **“(A) The Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board;**

33 **“(B) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife;**

34 **“(C) The State Forestry Department;**

35 **“(D) The Department of State Lands;**

1       “(E) The Department of Environmental Quality;  
2       “(F) The Water Resources Department;  
3       “(G) The Natural Resources Division of the State Department of Agriculture; and  
4       “(H) The Department of Transportation;  
5       “(c) One member to represent rural communities in this state;  
6       “(d) One member to represent unions or other labor organizations;  
7       “(e) One member to represent temporary or transient workers;  
8       “(f) One member to represent environmental interest groups;  
9       “(g) One member to represent the Economic and Community Development Department;  
10      and  
11       “(h) One member to represent the Department of Community Colleges and Workforce  
12      Development.  
13       “(3) Members shall serve until the submission of the final report under section 3 of this  
14      2005 Act and shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor. If there is a vacancy for any cause,  
15      the Governor shall make an appointment to become immediately effective for the unexpired  
16      term.  
17       “(4) A majority of the members of the task force constitutes a quorum for the trans-  
18      action of business.  
19       “(5) The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the chairperson  
20      or of a majority of the members of the task force.  
21       “(6) The Economic and Community Development Department shall provide staff support  
22      to the task force.  
23       “(7) A member of the task force who is not compensated from another source for ex-  
24      penses or for time spent in performance of official duties is entitled to compensation and  
25      expenses in the manner and amounts provided in ORS 292.495. Claims for compensation and  
26      expenses incurred in performing the functions of the task force shall be paid out of funds  
27      appropriated to the Economic and Community Development Department for that  
28      purpose. Notwithstanding ORS 292.495, a member of the task force who is appointed from a  
29      state agency is not entitled to compensation or actual and necessary travel or other expenses  
30      from funds appropriated to the Economic and Community Development Department for the  
31      task force.  
32       “(8) All agencies of the executive department, as defined in ORS 174.112, with authority  
33      over natural resource management or restoration activities are directed to assist the task  
34      force in the performance of its functions and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to  
35      confidentiality, to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force  
36      consider necessary to perform those functions.  
37       “SECTION 3. The Oregon Quality Jobs Task Force shall:  
38       “(1) Assist agencies of the executive department, as defined in ORS 174.112, in improving  
39      the cost efficiency and cost effectiveness of expenditures on natural resource management  
40      and restoration activities.  
41       “(2) Coordinate with and assist the agencies to:  
42       “(a) Develop, implement and monitor demonstration projects;  
43       “(b) Conduct natural resource management and restoration activities that meet quality  
44      employment goals and result in multiple beneficial outcomes; and  
45       “(c) Develop quality employment goals.

1       **“(3) Establish benchmarks and criteria for:**  
2       **“(a) Demonstration projects; and**  
3       **“(b) Documenting and evaluating the outcomes of demonstration projects.**  
4       **“(4) Analyze conditions in labor markets, determine natural resource management and**  
5 **restoration needs, determine natural resource liabilities and review alternative contracting**  
6 **and funding methods used in demonstration projects.**  
7       **“(5) Conduct a review of demonstration projects utilizing the benchmarks and criteria**  
8 **established by the task force for compliance with quality employment goals and for attain-**  
9 **ment of multiple beneficial outcomes. The review shall include the effect of the demon-**  
10 **stration projects on employment in rural communities.**  
11       **“(6) Consult with the Attorney General to develop model contracts appropriate for use**  
12 **in demonstration projects.**  
13       **“(7) Report to an interim committee related to business and labor of the Seventy-fourth**  
14 **Legislative Assembly, including recommendations for legislation and an evaluation of the**  
15 **demonstration projects performed, no later than October 1, 2008.**  
16       **“SECTION 4. (1) The Oregon Quality Jobs Task Force shall coordinate and assist in the**  
17 **development of at least two demonstration projects through agencies involved in natural**  
18 **resource management and restoration during the period beginning with the appointment of**  
19 **the task force and ending October 1, 2008.**  
20       **“(2) Agencies implementing demonstration projects may reorganize expenditures using**  
21 **alternative contracting or alternative funding methods in order to implement the projects.**  
22       **“SECTION 5. The Governor shall appoint the members of the Oregon Quality Jobs Task**  
23 **Force no later than one month after the effective date of this 2005 Act.**  
24       **“SECTION 6. Sections 1 to 5 of this 2005 Act are repealed on January 2, 2010.**  
25       **“SECTION 7. This 2005 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
26 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2005 Act takes effect**  
27 **on its passage.”.**  
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