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RE: OSCC Supports HB 4087 with -1 amendment

The Oregon State Chamber of Commerce (OSCC) represents 84 local Oregon chambers of commerce and the 27,000 local businesses that are chamber members in every corner of the state.

OSCC supports HB 4087 with the -1 amendment and the effort to increase the availability of technical assistance through BOLI. This bill would transfer civil penalty reserves (approx. $100,000/ year) to fund technical assistance for employers in Eastern Oregon and fund the free online publication of BOLI technical assistance and compliance manuals.

BOLI Technical Assistance is a valuable resource for employers who have questions about compliance with Oregon employment laws. OSCC sees great value in ensuring that employers have adequate resources to help them comply with laws that can often be complicated. We also feel this is a good step for the agency to build positive relationships and interactions with private employers.

Respectfully submitted,

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