## Senate Bill 718

Sponsored by Senators DEMBROW, JAMA, Representative CAMPOS; Representatives FAHEY, NOSSE, PHAM, SMITH G, WILLIAMS

## **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.

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of Human Services to award grants to refugee resettlement agencies to provide specified services to refugees.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2021.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to refugees; and declaring an emergency.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
    - SECTION 1. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Human Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$4,300,000:
    - (a) Which shall be expended to award grants to eligible agencies, as defined in ORS 411.139, to supplement the funding received by eligible agencies from the United States Department of State under 8 U.S.C. 1522 to provide services as described in ORS 411.139; and
    - (b) Of which up to \$600,000 shall be granted to an employment service provider described in subsection (2) of this section to provide coordination of employment services.
    - (2) The Department of Human Services shall select an employment service provider to receive the moneys described in subsection (1)(b) of this section that is an established culturally responsive organization and provides employment and workforce development services to refugees, as defined in ORS 411.139.
    - <u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.

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