

# House Bill 2996

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## 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**.

Establishes Oregon Center of Cyber-Excellence. Defines purpose of center.  
Requires center to conduct biennial performance reviews of investments.  
Creates Center of Cyber-Excellence Fund.  
Appropriates General Fund moneys to Department of Consumer and Business Services for purposes of center.  
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Oregon Center of Cyber-Excellence; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Center of Cyber-Excellence is established. The center's**  
5 **members shall be appointed by the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business**  
6 **Services, in consultation with the Governor or the Governor's designated representative. A**  
7 **majority of the center's voting members shall be representatives of cyber-related industries**  
8 **in Oregon, with members including at least one representative of post-secondary institutions**  
9 **of education and one representative of public law enforcement agencies in Oregon.**

10 **(2) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services may appoint**  
11 **nonvoting members to the center from the:**

- 12 **(a) Higher Education Coordinating Commission;**  
13 **(b) Department of Consumer and Business Services;**  
14 **(c) Department of Justice;**  
15 **(d) State Workforce Investment Board;**  
16 **(e) Office of the State Chief Information Officer;**  
17 **(f) Employment Department; or**  
18 **(g) Oregon Business Development Department.**

19 **(3) The center shall establish criteria and measurements that will be used to make in-**  
20 **vestments from the fund established by section 2 of this 2015 Act.**

21 **(4) The functions of the center shall include:**

22 **(a) Providing services and expertise to Oregon businesses and government agencies to**  
23 **assist with the planning, preparation, management or assessment of or the response to cyber**  
24 **issues;**

25 **(b) Coordinating cyber-security education among post-secondary institutions of education**  
26 **in Oregon in order to create meaningful cyber-educational standards;**

27 **(c) Developing cyber-competitions and other programs to build practical workforce skills**  
28 **necessary to address cyber-management and cyber-security threats;**

**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.

1 (d) Sharing cyber-expertise and disseminating best practices for cyber-education and  
2 cyber-safety;

3 (e) Facilitating cyber-security research; and

4 (f) Encouraging industry investment and partnership with post-secondary institutions of  
5 education and other career readiness programs.

6 (5) The center must conduct biennial performance reviews of all investments made with  
7 public funds for the purpose of improving cyber-expertise in public and private institutions.  
8 The reviews must be submitted to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission, the State  
9 Workforce Investment Board, the Department of Justice and the STEM Investment Council.

10 **SECTION 2.** (1) The Center of Cyber-Excellence Fund is established in the State Treas-  
11 ury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Center of Cyber-  
12 Excellence Fund shall be credited to the fund.

13 (2) Moneys in the fund shall consist of:

14 (a) Amounts donated to the fund;

15 (b) Amounts appropriated or otherwise transferred to the fund by the Legislative As-  
16 sembly;

17 (c) Investment earnings received on moneys in the fund; and

18 (d) Other amounts deposited in the fund from any source.

19 (3) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Consumer  
20 and Business Services for allocation to the Oregon Center of Cyber-Excellence. The center  
21 shall use the moneys in the fund established by this section solely for the purpose of in-  
22 vesting in cyber-protection, cyber-education and cyber-workforce training, in accordance  
23 with the functions of the center and the criteria and measurements established by the center  
24 under section 1 of this 2015 Act.

25 **SECTION 3.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-  
26 ated to the Department of Consumer and Business Services, for the biennium beginning July  
27 1, 2015, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$2,500,654 to be allocated to the Oregon  
28 Center of Cyber-Excellence for the purposes specified in section 1 of this 2015 Act.

29 **SECTION 4.** This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
30 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect  
31 on its passage.  
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