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Senate Bill 946 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Ken Horn
Committee: Economic Development and International Investment

CONTENT

The bill would enact the "Going Pro Talent Fund Act" to do the following:

- Require the Department of Talent and Economic Development (TED) to create and operate the Going Pro Talent Program.
- Require TED to work with Michigan Works Agencies to implement the Program.
- Provide for monetary awards to employers to pay the expenses of workforce training.
- Require applications for an award to include a training plan.
- Require TED to develop criteria for evaluating applications and training plans.
- Include in the criteria requirements that training be provided by qualified training providers, and that a plan not be for basic training or training required by Federal or State law.
- Create the "Go Pro Talent Fund" and require money in the Fund to be spent for payment of awards and administration of the Program.
- Require TED to submit an annual report on the Program to the Legislature.
- Allow TED to promulgate rules to implement the Act.

"Qualified training provider" would mean a training provider qualified to provide training under the Act, as determined by TED. A qualified training provider could be any of the following:

- A community college.
- An institution of higher education designated or described by the Michigan Constitution.
- A proprietary school licensed under the Proprietary Schools Act.
- A registered U.S. Department of Labor joint apprenticeship training center.
- A qualified employer.
- A vendor that provides training for the operation of equipment or systems for which the vendor is the provider.

Legislative Analyst: Nathan Leaman

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government. The Going Pro program already exists within the Department of Talent and Economic Development and is funded under the discretion of the Legislature. The Department of Treasury would experience minimal expenses to create and administer the Going Pro Talent Fund, which would be within current appropriations.

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