
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
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AB 2634 (Zbur) - Workforce development: High road training partnerships: scoring preference

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Urgency: No

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Policy Vote: L., P.E. & R. 4 - 1

Mandate: No

Consultant: Robert Ingenito

Bill Summary: AB 2634 would require the California Workforce Development Board (CWDB) to provide a scoring preference to an applicant that is a bona fide labor-management cooperation committee (LMCC), as defined, or an entity applying on their behalf, when awarding grants for a high road training partnership (H RTP) program or any successor program, as specified.

***** **ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE** *****

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on August 13, 2026

Fiscal Impact:

- This bill would result in ongoing cost pressures, likely in the tens of millions of dollars annually (General Fund), to appropriate additional funding to CWDB to continue awarding H RTP grants with a scoring preference for LMCCs. The funding appropriated for H RTP grants in the 2024 Budget Act has been fully awarded, and no additional funding is currently available.
- CWDB would incur implementation costs of \$78,000 in 2026-27, \$156,000 in 2027-28, and \$78,000 in 2028-29 (General Fund) to revise H RTP program guidelines, solicitations, and grant agreements if additional funding for H RTP grants is appropriated. CWDB indicates these costs would only be incurred if and when a future appropriation for H RTP grants is provided, and the timing of implementation would depend on when that funding becomes available.

Author Amendments: Make technical changes.

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