

## HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2555

By JOINT COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND OCEAN POLICY

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1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the first semicolon delete the rest of the line and line  
2 3 and insert “amending ORS 401.560.”.

3 Delete lines 5 through 31 and delete pages 2 and 3 and insert:

4 “**SECTION 1.** ORS 401.560 is amended to read:

5 “401.560. (1) The sheriff of each county has the responsibility for search and rescue activities  
6 within the county. The duty of a sheriff under this subsection may be delegated to a qualified  
7 deputy or emergency service worker.

8 “(2) If the sheriff does not accept the responsibility for search and rescue activities, the chief  
9 executive of the county shall designate the county emergency program manager to perform the du-  
10 ties and responsibilities required under ORS 401.015 to 401.105, 401.260 to 401.325 and 401.355 to  
11 401.580.

12 “(3) The sheriff, or [*authorized person*] **individual authorized under subsection (1) or (2) of**  
13 **this section**, of each county shall notify the Office of Emergency Management of each search and  
14 rescue in the county and shall request the assignment of incident numbers therefor.

15 “[*(4) The sheriff or authorized person of each county shall work with the county emergency pro-*  
16 *gram manager in coordinating search and rescue activities in the county of the sheriff and in regis-*  
17 *tering emergency service workers.*]

18 “(4) **When search and rescue activities occur in a multicounty area:**

19 “(a) **The sheriff, or the authorized individual described in subsection (3) of this section,**  
20 **of one county shall take charge or the counties shall form a unified command, as outlined**  
21 **in the National Incident Management System Incident Command System established by**  
22 **Homeland Security Presidential Directive 5 of February 28, 2003; or**

23 “(b) **If the appropriate sheriff or the authorized individual does not assume command as**  
24 **described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the sheriff who received the initial call shall**  
25 **take charge of the multicounty search and rescue.”.**

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