

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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Yeas:	Cowan, Krieger, Nelson, Schaufler, Boone
Nays:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/5

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Directs the Governor on behalf of Oregon to participate in the Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement (PNEMA) entered into by the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska, the Province of British Columbia and the Yukon Government. Authorizes implementation procedures for the international assistance compact. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Need to codify Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement (PNEMA) and develop implementation procedures.
- Ability and process for other states and provinces to join PNEMA.
- Need for working agreements in English language.
- Liability related to responding signatory governments.
- Reimbursement exchange rate.
- Consistency with existing agreements including Emergency Management Assistance Compact.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Inserts the original Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement (PNEMA) and subsequently adopted Annex A into Oregon Revised Statutes. Adds an emergency clause.

**BACKGROUND:** The Pacific Northwest Emergency Management Arrangement (PNEMA) is an international compact entered into by the States of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska, the Province of British Columbia and the Yukon Government. The purpose of the compact is to provide for mutual assistance when requested among the signatory governments in managing an emergency or disaster. The signatory governments including Oregon entered into this agreement in 1996-1997. PNEMA is an international version of the Emergency Mutual Aid Compact adopted by Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

House Bill 3608A authorizes the development of implementation procedures to PNEMA including planning, hazard analysis, service provision efficiencies, gap analysis, logistics and ongoing consultation.

While Oregon entered into the PNEMA a decade ago, the original agreement appears not to have been enacted by the Oregon Legislative Assembly. The amendment addresses this omission by inserting the original PNEMA and Annex A (authorizing establishment of regional emergency management advisory committees) along with the new provision of Annex B (authorizing develop implementation procedures).

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