

# Senate Bill 218

Sponsored by Senator DEVLIN (Pre-session filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Extends terms of loans made from Special Public Works Fund.

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the Special Public Works Fund; amending ORS 285B.440.

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

**SECTION 1.** ORS 285B.440 is amended to read:

285B.440. (1)(a) The moneys in the Special Public Works Fund shall be used primarily to provide loans to municipalities for projects as defined in ORS 285B.410 to 295B.482. The Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority may determine the level of grant or loan funding, if any, on a case-by-case basis.

(b) If the authority approves funding, the authority shall determine a maximum amount of the loan based upon a reasonable and prudent expectation of the ability of the municipality to repay the loan.

(c) The **initial** loan term may not exceed the usable life of the project or [25] **30** years from the year of project completion, whichever is less. **The term of a renegotiated loan may not exceed the remaining usable life of the project or 30 years, whichever is less.**

(d) Assistance from the fund for a marine facility project otherwise funded under ORS 777.267 shall be limited to a loan. The loan may not exceed the amount of the required local matching funds.

(2) The Oregon Business Development Department shall by rule adopt standards for awarding grants from the Special Public Works Fund. The standards may include the award of grants as a financial incentive to accomplish the goals of the Special Public Works Fund, to address special circumstances of a project or to address the financial need of the applicant.

(3) The authority may make grants to a municipality not to exceed \$1 million per project or 85 percent of the allowable project costs, whichever is less. For purposes of this subsection, allowable project costs do not include capitalized interest, if any.

(4) The authority may not expend more than one percent of the value of the Special Public Works Fund in any biennium for grants or direct assistance, if any, for planning projects and community development projects to municipalities.

(5) The authority may not expend more than \$2.5 million in any biennium for emergency project grants. For purposes of this subsection, emergency project grants include grants for essential community facilities, as defined by the department by rule after consultation with the League of Oregon Cities, the Association of Oregon Counties, the Oregon Ports Representation Group and the Special Districts Association of Oregon.

(6) Except as otherwise limited by this section, not more than 100 percent of the total cost of

**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 a project, including capitalized interest, shall be financed from the Special Public Works Fund.

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