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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) to maintain website identifying seismic risk category for public K-12 schools. Requires annual school district and school performance report cards to include information on accessing DOGAMI website. Directs school and education service districts to notify DOGAMI of structural changes likely to require reassessment of risk. Effective July 1, 2012.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Senate Bill 2 (2005) directed the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI), in consultation with other entities, to develop a statewide seismic needs assessment including seismic safety surveys of K-12 public school and community college buildings with a capacity for 250 or more persons; hospital buildings with acute inpatient care facilities; fire stations, police stations, sheriffs' offices, and other law enforcement agency buildings. The statewide needs assessment consists of rapid visual screenings (RVS) of these buildings in accordance with Federal Emergency Management Agency publication 154 (2002 Edition) (FEMA 154) or an equivalent standard adopted by DOGAMI; information gathering to supplement RVS; and ranking of RVS results into risk categories, which are posted on DOGAMI's web site (<http://www.oregongeology.org/sub/projects/rvs/default.htm>).

Senate Bill 2 (2005) also provided the first step in a predisaster mitigation strategy that was further defined in other legislation, including Senate Bills 3, 4, and 5 (2005). Senate Bill 3 (2005) directs the Oregon Emergency Management office to create a grant program for local communities and schools; and Senate Bills 4 and 5 (2005) direct the Oregon State Treasurer to issue voter-approved bonds. The seismic grant program has not been funded by the legislature to the extent permitted. There is \$1.2 billion in bonding capacity, of which just over \$22 million has been allocated.

Senate Bill 1566A codifies DOGAMI's maintenance of the information on its website, and requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to include information about how to access the website in a couple of annual reports that are provided to parents. It also requires school an education service districts to notify DOGAMI of new building construction, and of modifications to existing buildings if seismic risk might be affected.

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