

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Barker

Revenue: No revenue impact

Fiscal: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass the A-Engrossed Measure as Amended and be Printed B-Engrossed

Vote: 23 – 2 – 1

House

Yeas: Barker, Buckley, Frederick, Huffman, Komp, McLane, Nathanson, Read,
Richardson, Smith, Tomei, Williamson

Nays: Freeman, Hanna

Exc: Jenson

Senate

Yeas: Bates, Devlin, Edwards, Girod, Hansell, Johnson, Monroe, Steiner Hayward, Thomsen, Whitsett, Winters

Nays:

Exc:

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Meeting Date: June 14, 2013

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: The measure adds thirteen agencies to, and removes the Military Department from, the list of those agencies required to designate individual with authority to allocate resources to act as liaison with Office of Emergency Management, making agency liaison changes effective January 1, 2014.

The bill creates a 17-member Task Force on Resilience Plan Implementation (TFRPI) in order to facilitate a comprehensive plan to implement the Oregon Resilience Plan, as reported to the Legislature during the February 2013 Legislative Session by the Oregon Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission, for responding to the consequences of naturally occurring seismic events associated with geologic shifts along the Cascadia subduction zone, specifically: (1) educating and training community leaders in emergency management and resilience practices; and (2) coordinating investments in equipment, facilities and critical systems for enhanced resiliency and survivability. The measure requires TFRPI to report to the Legislative Assembly on or before October 1, 2014. Staff support for the TFRPI is to be provided by the Oregon Military Department. Claims for actual and necessary expenses would be reimbursable to the members of the task force from funds appropriated to the Oregon Military Department (OMD) for the purposes of the task force. A provision is included that sunsets the TFRPI upon the convening of the 2015 regular session of Legislative Assembly. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Effect of amendment

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Removes provision allowing for the reimbursement of actual travel and other expenses of task force members

BACKGROUND: The Cascadia subduction zone is an active fault off the coast of Oregon and poses a severe geological hazard to the state. By most accounts, Oregon is overdue for a large magnitude earthquake stemming from the Cascadia subduction zone. Resilience planning, educating the community and prioritizing resources will be critical to Oregon's response and recovery when such an earthquake occurs. Senate Bill 33 creates the Task Force on Resilience Plan Implementation and updates the statutory list of agency participants in emergency preparedness and response planning consistent with current practice.