

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

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Action: Do Pass  
Vote: 7 - 0 - 0  
Yeas: Boone, Esquivel, Fagan, Huffman, Parrish, Witt, Matthews  
Nays: 0  
Exc.: 0  
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Meeting Dates: 2/7

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Removes requirement that employers of 250 or more full-time employees in Oregon conduct annual earthquake drills in April. Permits annual earthquake drills to be held anytime.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Increased flexibility and local control
- Earthquake and tsunami awareness and preparation as locally driven efforts.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** April is National Earthquake and Tsunami month and therefore was initially designated as the month for earthquake drills. Earthquake and tsunami drills and other preparedness efforts occur year-round in Oregon. House Bill 2183 provides employers with more flexibility when scheduling annual earthquake drills.