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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2581

- On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after the first semicolon delete the rest of the line and line 3 and insert "amending ORS 30.265; and declaring an emergency.".
- Delete lines 5 through 30 and delete pages 2 through 7 and insert:
- **"SECTION 1.** ORS 30.265 is amended to read:

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- "30.265. (1) Subject to the limitations of ORS 30.260 to 30.300, every public body is subject to civil action for its torts and those of its officers, employees and agents acting within the scope of their employment or duties, whether arising out of a governmental or proprietary function or while operating a motor vehicle in a ridesharing arrangement authorized under ORS 276.598.
- "(2) The sole cause of action for a tort committed by officers, employees 11 or agents of a public body acting within the scope of their employment or 12 duties and eligible for representation and indemnification under ORS 30.285 13 or 30.287 is an action under ORS 30.260 to 30.300. The remedy provided by 14 ORS 30.260 to 30.300 is exclusive of any other action against any such officer, 15 employee or agent of a public body whose act or omission within the scope 16 of the officer's, employee's or agent's employment or duties gives rise to the 17 action. No other form of civil action is permitted. 18
  - "(3) If an action under ORS 30.260 to 30.300 alleges damages in an amount equal to or less than the damages allowed under ORS 30.271, 30.272 or 30.273, the sole cause of action for a tort committed by officers, employees or agents of a public body acting within the scope of their employment or duties and

- eligible for representation and indemnification under ORS 30.285 or 30.287
- 2 is an action against the public body. If an action is filed against an officer,
- 3 employee or agent of a public body, and the plaintiff alleges damages in an
- 4 amount equal to or less than the damages allowed under ORS 30.271, 30.272
- or 30.273, the court upon motion shall substitute the public body as the de-
- 6 fendant. Substitution of the public body as the defendant does not exempt the
- 7 public body from making any report required under ORS 742.400.
- 8 "(4) If an action under ORS 30.260 to 30.300 alleges damages in an amount
- 9 greater than the damages allowed under ORS 30.271, 30.272 or 30.273, the
- action may be brought and maintained against an officer, employee or agent
- of a public body, whether or not the public body is also named as a defend-
- ant. An action brought under this subsection is subject to the limitations on
- damages imposed under ORS 30.271, 30.272 or 30.273, and the total combined
- amount recovered in the action may not exceed those limitations for a single
- accident or occurrence without regard to the number or types of defendants
- 16 named in the action.
- "(5) Every public body is immune from liability for any claim for injury
- to or death of any person or injury to property resulting from an act or
- omission of an officer, employee or agent of a public body when such officer,
- 20 employee or agent is immune from liability.
- 21 "(6) Every public body and its officers, employees and agents acting
- 22 within the scope of their employment or duties, or while operating a motor
- vehicle in a ridesharing arrangement authorized under ORS 276.598, are im-
- 24 mune from liability for:
- 25 "(a) Any claim for injury to [or death of] any person covered by any
- 26 workers' compensation law.
- 27 "(b) Any claim in connection with the assessment and collection of taxes.
- 28 "(c) Any claim based upon the performance of or the failure to exercise
- or perform a discretionary function or duty, whether or not the discretion
- 30 is abused.

- "(d) Any claim that is limited or barred by the provisions of any other statute, including but not limited to any statute of ultimate repose.
- "(e) Any claim arising out of riot, civil commotion or mob action or out of any act or omission in connection with the prevention of any of the foregoing.
  - "(f) Any claim arising out of an act done or omitted under apparent authority of a law, resolution, rule or regulation that is unconstitutional, invalid or inapplicable except to the extent that they would have been liable had the law, resolution, rule or regulation been constitutional, valid and applicable, unless such act was done or omitted in bad faith or with malice.
  - "(7) This section applies to any action of any officer, employee or agent of the state relating to a nuclear incident, whether or not the officer, employee or agent is acting within the scope of employment, and provided the nuclear incident is covered by an insurance or indemnity agreement under 42 U.S.C. 2210.
  - "(8) Subsection (6)(c) of this section does not apply to any discretionary act that is found to be the cause or partial cause of a nuclear incident covered by an insurance or indemnity agreement under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 2210, including but not limited to road design and route selection.
  - "SECTION 2. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage."