

HB 2430 intro. – LC 535
Written Testimony for Hearing on Feb. 17, 2015

Executive Summary

Historically, the Department of State Police (OSP) has received budgetary approval from the Governor's Office and the Legislature to receive and distribute grant funds from federal agencies. HB 2430 would improve how that authority has been codified in the past and better align the budgetary approval we have historically had in our legislatively adopted budgets with statute. To achieve this, HB 2430 would amend ORS 181.175 and 476.033 to include the following clarifying language.

- The OSP is authorized to receive and distribute gifts, grants, donations, or funds from any source, including services and property, to carry out the duties of the department.

Problem:

The Department of State Police, including the State Fire Marshal Division, needs to revise the language in ORS 181.175 and ORS 476.033 regarding the Department's ability to receive funds from any source and pass through grant funds to local governments. This would clean up the language currently in statute and align it better with the authority provided in the agency's legislatively adopted budget.

Fiscal Impact:

None, HB 2430 simply cleans up existing language in the ORS.

Proposed Solution:

OSP has worked with DOJ and Legislative Counsel on amending the current ORS. The end result of this work is the bill you have in front of you today, HB 2430. This bill would amend the ORS' noted above to provide the necessary flexibility to utilize grant funds in the most effective and efficient manner possible. This would include providing the necessary authority to pass through revenue from grants in the manner intended in our legislatively adopted budget.

Supporting Entities:

This is purely a technical ORS issue. Therefore, there weren't any stakeholders that needed to be consulted regarding this issue.

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