

# Senate Bill 775

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## SUMMARY

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Provides that evidence of measures taken before natural disaster occurs that were intended to minimize impact of natural disaster is not admissible to prove negligence or culpable conduct in connection with natural disaster.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to natural disasters; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 40.010 to 40.585.**

5 **SECTION 2. Evidence of measures taken before a natural disaster occurs that were in-**  
6 **tended to minimize the impact of the natural disaster is not admissible to prove negligence**  
7 **or culpable conduct in connection with the natural disaster.**

8 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2015 Act applies only to claims arising on or after the ef-**  
9 **fective date of this 2015 Act.**

10 **SECTION 4. This 2015 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
11 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2015 Act takes effect**  
12 **on its passage.**

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**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.