

**STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Senate Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness**

**Fiscal:** No fiscal impact

**Revenue:** Revenue impact issued

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**Action Date:** 02/02/16

**Action:** Do Pass And Refer To Ways And Means By Prior Reference.

**Meeting Dates:** 02/02

**Vote:**

Yeas: 4 - Boquist, Monnes Anderson, Olsen, President Courtney

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Permits Articles XI-M and XI-N bond proceeds to be used for surveying and engineering evaluations and associated costs that are reasonably necessary for administration of seismic rehabilitation grant program. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Overview and mission of Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Program administered by Business Oregon
- Need for clarification as to whether bond proceeds can be used for administrative costs
- Amounts allocated to the program: \$30 million in 2013 and \$205 million in 2015

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Seismic Rehabilitation Grant Program is a competitive state grant program to fund the seismic rehabilitation of critical public buildings, particularly public schools and emergency services facilities. Activities that are eligible to receive grant funds include structural and nonstructural improvements, and engineering and architectural projects.

Senate Bill 1512 clarifies that bond proceeds can be used for costs of program administration.