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To: Capital Construction Subcommittee

From: Julie Neburka, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: July 1, 2017

Subject: HB 2687 – Relating to emergency preparedness

Work Session Recommendations

A central part of state emergency planning is understanding that the Cascadia subduction zone, running from northern California to Canada just off the west coast, poses a devastating threat to life and property in the Pacific Northwest. A large offshore earthquake and corresponding tsunami could strike at any time and local jurisdictions may not have the resources to obtain needed emergency preparedness equipment.

House Bill 2687 establishes the Resiliency Grant Fund, capitalized with the proceeds from bonds authorized by Article XI-Q of the Oregon Constitution, and creates a grant program to distribute or purchase emergency equipment at the local level. The bill directs the Homeland Security Council to develop a list of needed equipment, and exempts equipment acquisition from the Public Contracting Code. The bill requires the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and the grant recipient to enter an agreement, and directs OEM to maintain an inventory and conduct inspections of equipment purchased under the program. Bond authorization to capitalize the Resiliency Fund is included in SB 5506, the capital construction bill.

Expenditure limitation for the Oregon Military Department, Office of Emergency Management to operate the program is included in HB 5006. Included is \$5,000,000 of Other Funds expenditure limitation to distribute grants from the Resiliency Fund and \$70,000 Other Funds expenditure limitation for cost of bond issuance. Program operations will require \$181,178 General Fund and \$181,178 Federal Funds expenditure limitation and two positions (2.00 FTE) for administration of the grant program.

The -1 amendment removes bond authorization from the bill.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -1 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -1 amendment to HB 2687. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2687, as amended by the -1 amendment, to be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 2687, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

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| Full Committee: | |
| House Floor: | |
| Senate Floor: | |