

## HB 2886 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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**Action Date:** 03/30/17

**Action:** Do pass with amendments  
and be referred to Ways and Means by prior reference. (Printed A-Eng.)

**Vote:** 7-0-1-0

**Yeas:** 7 - Esquivel, Evans, Lewis, Lively, Meek, Parrish, Post

**Exc:** 1 - Boone

**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued

**Revenue:** Has minimal revenue impact

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#### WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Creates the Oregon Public Places Are Safe Places Investment Fund , separate from the General Fund, to receive moneys for continuous appropriation to the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to fund implementation of strategies to identify and develop emergency response staging areas. Creates a committee to advise OEM regarding fund distributions.

#### ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Necessity of staging areas in the event of emergencies

#### EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces requirement to develop and implement strategies in coordination with other state and local entities, with an advisory committee to make recommendations to OEM regarding fund distributions.

#### BACKGROUND:

States declare emergencies when federal and state resources are needed to supplement local resources in the face of an imminent threat or its aftermath. An emergency declaration puts a state's emergency operations plans into effect in order to coordinate and direct response and recovery efforts that can include private entities and volunteer networks, and the deployment of National Guard troops. In Oregon, as in most states, the Governor has plenary authority under a declaration of emergency, to expend necessary funds and assume control over policing and all executive branch agencies in effected areas, including commandeering the assistance of other public and quasi-public entities, and suspending or subordinating other government functions in order to re-purpose personnel, equipment, property and facilities in response to an emergency.

House Bill 2886-A creates a fund that continuously appropriates money to the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) for the implementation of strategies that identify and develop staging areas for emergency response, and creates an advisory committee within OEM to make recommendations regarding fund distributions.