

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 531

Ordered by the Senate April 26
Including Senate Amendments dated April 26

Sponsored by Senator ROBLAN (at the request of Toledo Rural Fire Protection District) (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Creates Task Force on Rural Fire Protection District Community Development to study and develop recommendations for developing, enhancing or expanding ability of rural fire protection districts to facilitate community development following natural disaster.]

[Requires task force to report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2018.]

[Sunsets task force December 31, 2018.]

[Declares emergency, effective on passage.]

Requires Director of Office of Emergency Management to appoint advisory committee to consult with representatives of rural communities and rural fire protection districts. Requires advisory committee to encourage community and district representatives to identify and develop strategies to expand or enhance capability of districts to assist community development following natural disaster. Requires advisory committee to encourage community and district representatives to identify existing and needed resources to enhance or expand capability of districts to assist community development following natural disaster. Requires advisory committee to gather and evaluate information from community and district representatives regarding potential state government actions to assist communities and districts to expand or enhance capability of districts to assist community development following natural disaster.

Requires advisory committee to provide report to interim legislative committee no later than September 15, 2018. Sunsets December 31, 2018.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to community development; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Director of the Office of Emergency Management shall appoint an advisory committee under ORS 401.082 to consult with representatives of rural communities and rural fire protection districts. The advisory committee shall:

(a) Encourage the community and district representatives to:

(A) Identify and develop strategies for expanding or enhancing capability for using district personnel, systems and equipment to assist the communities in developing community services and assets following a natural disaster; and

(B) Identify existing and needed resources relevant to expanding or enhancing capability for districts to participate in community development following a natural disaster; and

(b) Gather and evaluate information from the representatives of the communities and districts regarding what actions, if any, state government could undertake to assist rural communities and rural fire protection districts in Oregon in expanding or enhancing the capabilities of districts to assist in community development following a natural disaster.

(2) The advisory committee shall provide a report of its activities and findings, and any

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.

1 **recommendations, to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency**
2 **services in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 no later than September 15, 2018.**

3 **(3) Notwithstanding ORS 401.082, members of the advisory committee described in this**
4 **section are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as vol-**
5 **unteers on the committee.**

6 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2017 Act is repealed December 31, 2018.**

7 **SECTION 3. This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017**
8 **regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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