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Senate Bill 850

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to resilience planning; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission shall establish a committee under ORS 401.925 to assist the commission in conducting a review of policy options, prepare a summary of existing reports and studies by state agencies and prepare recommendations for policy measures to protect lives and preserve residential housing following a major earthquake or tsunami event.

(2) In carrying out duties under this section, the committee shall:

(a) Investigate alternatives for providing adequate earthquake insurance coverage for residential property owners in the state without establishing a state-run insurer;

(b) Investigate best practices and effective means for making residential property owners in the state aware of the need for earthquake and tsunami insurance coverage for residential property;

(c) Investigate barriers, including barriers of affordability and availability, that prevent residential property owners from obtaining earthquake and tsunami insurance coverage;

(d) Investigate other issues related to providing adequate insurance for residential property owners against major earthquake and tsunami events;

(e) Obtain research, testimony, advice, consultation and information from experts in the fields of disaster preparation and management, risk assessment and management, insurance coverage and related topics; and

(f) Undertake any other or related activities that are necessary to carry out this section.

(3) The committee shall consult with the State Resilience Officer and with other state government officials and entities to assemble an integrated view of current capabilities for earthquake response and recovery and current gaps in resilience planning related to earthquake and tsunami insurance.

(4) The committee shall prepare one or more reports summarizing the findings of the committee and including any recommendations of the commission. A report prepared under this subsection shall address both insurance providers and other professionals and residential property owners in appropriate language.

(5) Any entity within the executive department having expertise in matters relevant to the work of the committee shall provide the state agencies identified in ORS 401.922 with assistance and supplemental staff support services reasonable and necessary to ensure the carrying out of committee duties. As used in this subsection, "executive department" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.112.

(6) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the committee in the performance of the committee's duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the committee consider necessary to perform their duties.

(7) Notwithstanding ORS 401.925, members of a committee formed under this section are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the committee.

SECTION 2. (1) The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission shall establish a committee under ORS 401.925 to assist the commission in conducting a review of policy options, prepare a summary of existing reports and studies by state agencies and prepare recommendations for policy measures to protect lives during and after a major earthquake or tsunami event, including but not limited to policy measures to address mass care and mass displacement strategies.

(2) In carrying out duties under this section, the committee shall investigate alternatives and attempt to identify best practices and effective means for state and local government and Indian tribes to prepare for the mass care, mass displacement and other catastrophic consequences of a major earthquake or tsunami event, including but not limited to:

- (a) The provision of temporary shelters and semipermanent and permanent housing;
- (b) Supplying adequate food and water;
- (c) Supplying emergency health services; and
- (d) Providing transition services and recovery assistance.

(3) The committee may obtain research, testimony, advice, consultation and information from experts in the fields of emergency management, emergency response and recovery and related topics.

(4) The committee may undertake any other or related activities that are necessary to carry out this section.

(5) The committee shall consult with the State Resilience Officer and with other state government officials and entities to assemble an integrated view of current capabilities for addressing mass care, mass displacement and other catastrophic consequences of major earthquake and tsunami events.

(6) The committee shall prepare a report summarizing the findings of the committee and including any recommendations of the commission regarding mass care, mass displacement and other strategies for use by state and local governments and Indian tribes in preparing for and dealing with the consequences of a major earthquake or tsunami event. A report prepared under this subsection must address officials of state and local governments and Indian tribes in appropriate language.

(7) Any entity within the executive department having expertise in matters relevant to the work of the committee shall provide the state agencies identified in ORS 401.922 with assistance and supplemental staff support services reasonable and necessary to ensure the carrying out of committee duties. As used in this subsection, "executive department" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.112.

(8) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the committee in the performance of the committee's duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the committee consider necessary to perform their duties.

(9) Notwithstanding ORS 401.925, members of a committee formed under this section are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the committee.

SECTION 3. The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission shall compile the reports prepared by committees under sections 1 and 2 of this 2017 Act using the reporting format used in the Task Force on Resilience Plan Implementation report prepared under chapter

512, Oregon Laws 2013. The commission shall deliver the formatted reports to the State Resilience Officer no later than September 30, 2018.

SECTION 4. Sections 1 to 3 of this 2017 Act are repealed January 2, 2019.

SECTION 5. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.

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