

Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 850**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “planning” delete the rest of
2 the line and insert “; and declaring an emergency.”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission**
5 **shall establish a committee under ORS 401.925 to assist the commis-**
6 **sion in conducting a review of policy options, prepare a summary of**
7 **existing reports and studies by state agencies and prepare recommen-**
8 **dations for policy measures to protect lives and preserve residential**
9 **housing following a major earthquake or tsunami event.**

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

11 **“(a) Investigate alternatives for providing adequate earthquake in-**
12 **surance coverage for residential property owners in the state without**
13 **establishing a state-run insurer;**

14 **“(b) Investigate best practices and effective means for making res-**
15 **idential property owners in the state aware of the need for earthquake**
16 **and tsunami insurance coverage for residential property;**

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

20 **“(d) Investigate other issues related to providing adequate insur-**
21 **ance for residential property owners against major earthquake and**

1 tsunami events;

2 “(e) Obtain research, testimony, advice, consultation and informa-
3 tion from experts in the fields of disaster preparation and manage-
4 ment, risk assessment and management, insurance coverage and
5 related topics; and

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

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

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

18 “(5) Notwithstanding ORS 401.922, the Department of Consumer and
19 Business Services, the Office of Emergency Management and the
20 Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall provide staff
21 support requested by the committee for carrying out this section.

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

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

30 **SECTION 2.** (1) The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission

1 shall establish a committee under ORS 401.925 to assist the commis-
2 sion in conducting a review of policy options, prepare a summary of
3 existing reports and studies by state agencies and prepare recommen-
4 dations for policy measures to protect lives during and after a major
5 earthquake or tsunami event, including but not limited to policy
6 measures to address mass care and mass displacement strategies.

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

13 “(a) The provision of temporary shelters and semipermanent and
14 permanent housing;

15 “(b) Supplying adequate food and water;

16 “(c) Supplying emergency health services; and

17 “(d) Providing transition services and recovery assistance.

18 “(3) The committee may obtain research, testimony, advice, con-
19 sultation and information from experts in the fields of emergency
20 management, emergency response and recovery and related topics.

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

23 “(5) The committee shall consult with the State Resilience Officer
24 and with other state government officials and entities to assemble an
25 integrated view of current capabilities for addressing mass care, mass
26 displacement and other catastrophic consequences of major earth-
27 quake and tsunami events.

28 “(6) The committee shall prepare a report summarizing the findings
29 of the committee and including any recommendations of the commis-
30 sion regarding mass care, mass displacement and other strategies for

1 use by state and local governments and Indian tribes in preparing for
2 and dealing with the consequences of a major earthquake or tsunami
3 event. A report prepared under this subsection must address officials
4 of state and local governments and Indian tribes in appropriate lan-
5 guage.

6 “(7) Notwithstanding ORS 401.922, the Department of Human Ser-
7 vices, Housing and Community Services Department, Office of Emer-
8 gency Management, Oregon Health Authority and State Parks and
9 Recreation Department shall provide staff support requested by the
10 committee for carrying out this section.

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

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

19 “SECTION 3. The Seismic Safety Policy Advisory Commission shall
20 compile the reports prepared by committees under sections 1 and 2 of
21 this 2017 Act using the reporting format used in the Task Force on
22 Resilience Plan Implementation report prepared under chapter 512,
23 Oregon Laws 2013. The commission shall deliver the formatted reports
24 to the State Resilience Officer no later than September 30, 2018.

25 “SECTION 4. Sections 1 to 3 of this 2017 Act are repealed January
26 2, 2019.

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

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