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SUMMARY

Establishes Oregon Disaster Recovery Authority. Provides that Governor may activate authority when declaring emergency. Directs authority, when activated, to coordinate initial crisis services, coordinate recovery and mitigation efforts and coordinate provision of emergency aid to local governments or private entities.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to emergency preparedness.

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- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Disaster Recovery Authority is established as an advisory group within the Office of the Governor to direct emergency recovery in Oregon. The Governor shall determine the membership of the authority, subject to subsection (2) of this section.
 - (2) The Governor shall appoint at least eight individuals to serve as members of the authority from among state agency leadership, local emergency managers and others with expertise in emergency management. The Governor shall seek the advice of the Oregon Homeland Security Council when making appointments to the authority. Members of the authority serve at the pleasure of the Governor.
 - (3) If the Governor declares an emergency under ORS 401.165, the Governor may activate the authority. The authority remains activated until deactivated by order of the Governor. The authority may remain activated notwithstanding the termination of a state of emergency.
 - (4) When activated, the authority shall:

- 1 (a) Coordinate initial crisis services;
- 2 (b) Coordinate recovery and mitigation efforts throughout this 3 state, using a framework aligned with emergency support functions 4 as defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and
 - (c) Coordinate the provision of emergency funding and other aid to local governments or private entities.
- 7 (5) A majority of the members of the authority constitutes a quo-8 rum for the transaction of business.
 - (6) Official action by the authority requires the approval of a majority of the members of the authority.
- 11 (7) The Governor shall appoint one of the members of the authority 12 to serve as chairperson.
- 13 (8) The authority shall meet at times and places specified by the call 14 of the Governor or the chairperson. The authority may meet at times 15 when the authority is not activated to maintain readiness in the event 16 of an emergency.
- 17 **(9)** The authority may adopt rules necessary for the operation of the authority.
- 19 **(10)** The Office of the Governor shall provide staff support to the 20 authority.
 - (11) Members of the authority are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the authority.
 - (12) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the authority in the performance of the duties of the authority and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality, to furnish information and advice the members of the authority consider necessary to perform their duties.

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