House Bill 2450

Sponsored by Representative FINDLEY (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 **as introduced**.

Directs Department of Consumer and Business Services to develop training standards applicable to firefighting personnel in certain rural areas.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to frontier fire organizations; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) As used in this section:

5 (a) "Frontier fire organization" means a regularly organized fire department that is re-

6 sponsible for emergency response in an incorporated or unincorporated city or town with a

7 population of 100 or less.

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8 (b) "Regularly organized fire department" has the meaning given that term in ORS 9 652.050.

10 (2) The Department of Consumer and Business Services shall, in consultation with fron-

11 tier fire organizations in this state, develop minimum training standards applicable to

12 firefighting personnel employed by or volunteering for frontier fire organizations.

13 (3) The training standards created under this section:

14 (a) May require a maximum of 78 hours of training;

(b) Must provide basic qualification in wildland, structural and wildland-urban interface
firefighting; and

(c) Must be developed with the objective of increasing the number of qualified personnel
available to provide emergency response in rural areas.

19 (4) The department shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.

- 20 <u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019 21 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.
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