

Senate Bill 261

Sponsored by Senator ROBLAN, Representatives GOMBERG, MCKEOWN; Representative SMITH DB (Pre-session 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**.

Appropriates moneys for distribution to Oregon Coast Aquarium for purposes for which aquarium's current capital campaign has been undertaken.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to an appropriation for the Oregon Coast Aquarium; and declaring an emergency.

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

3 **SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services,**
4 **for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$10,000,000,**
5 **to be distributed to the Oregon Coast Aquarium for the purposes set forth in section 2 of this**
6 **2019 Act.**

7 **SECTION 2. (1) The Legislative Assembly finds that the Oregon Coast Aquarium plays a**
8 **significant role in the educational, cultural, economic and social life of Oregon by:**

9 (a) **Expanding ocean literacy education;**

10 (b) **Attracting tourism to the surrounding community and the state; and**

11 (c) **Rehabilitating the growing number of marine animals stranded along the Oregon**
12 **coast due to changing ocean conditions.**

13 (2) **Moneys distributed to the Oregon Coast Aquarium under section 1 of this 2019 Act**
14 **may be used by the aquarium for any of the following projects, which have been identified**
15 **as priorities for the aquarium's current capital campaign:**

16 (a) **Remodeling the entryway and cafe;**

17 (b) **Improving three galleries;**

18 (c) **Creating a nature play area with a forestry theme;**

19 (d) **Enhancing ocean literacy education programming; and**

20 (e) **Constructing and furnishing a marine wildlife rehabilitation and education center for**
21 **assessment, urgent care, surgery, research and veterinary practicums and other marine**
22 **science education.**

23 **SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
24 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
25 **on its passage.**

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