SUMMARY

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Changes date of Legislative Fiscal Office report on liquidated and delinquent accounts.
Eliminates requirement that Joint Committee on Ways and Means include maximum supervisory ratios in budget notes and reports.
Repeals transfer of moneys from certain funds and accounts to General Fund.
Modifies method for calculating amount transferred from Administrative Services Economic Development Fund to Employer Incentive Fund.
Provides that State Chief Information Officer and Oregon Department of Administrative Services are not prohibited from incurring costs or requesting additional resources to develop, maintain or enhance Oregon transparency website.
Modifies method for calculating amount transferred from Common School Fund Account to School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund.
Directs Oregon Department of Administrative Services to report on new or changed terms relating to compensation in certain collective bargaining agreements.
Provides that certain expenditures from Water Supply Development Account are not subject to application process or public benefit scoring or ranking.
Modifies types of debt service to be paid from particular appropriations and expenditures limitations.
Directs Public Employees Retirement Board to submit preliminary proposals for crediting interest or investment income to funds or accounts.
Transfers moneys from School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund to Employer Incentive Fund.
Provides that Legislative Assembly shall reflect balances of General Fund appropriations made to judicial department and legislative department, and adjustments thereto, in appropriation measure during each biennium.
Increases number of circuit court judges in certain judicial districts.
Establishes statutory program for distribution of moneys for tide gate projects.
Establishes statutory program for distribution of grants for alternative education programs.
Modifies procedure for payment to children's advocacy centers by Department of Justice in certain child abuse cases.
Directs Oregon Tourism Commission to provide information and assistance to certain state agencies for purpose of reporting on adjustments necessary to establish commission as program within Oregon Business Development Department. Prohibits certain state agencies from disclosing certain records received from commission in response to public records request.
Modifies recipient of certain amounts distributed for emergency shelter in City of Eugene.
Merges Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund with Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT


NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.
sections 4 and 6, chapter 609, Oregon Laws 2019, section 5a, chapter 642, Oregon Laws 2019, section 85, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, and section 15, chapter __, Oregon Laws 2020 (Enrolled House Bill 4001); repealing ORS 391.800, 391.802, 391.810, 391.815, 391.820 and 391.830 and section 21, chapter 725, Oregon Laws 2017, and sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7, chapter 643, Oregon Laws 2019; and declaring an emergency.

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

FISCAL REPORTING

SECTION 1. ORS 293.229 is amended to read:

293.229. (1) Not later than October 1 of each fiscal year, each state agency shall submit a report to the Legislative Fiscal Office that describes the status of that agency's liquidated and delinquent accounts and efforts made by that agency to collect liquidated and delinquent accounts during the previous fiscal year. The report required under this subsection shall be in a form prescribed by the Legislative Fiscal Office and shall include but not be limited to:

(a) Beginning balance and total number of all liquidated and delinquent accounts;
(b) New liquidated and delinquent accounts added during the last preceding fiscal year;
(c) Total collections of liquidated and delinquent accounts;
(d) Total amount and total number of liquidated and delinquent accounts that have been written off;
(e) Total number and ending balance of all liquidated and delinquent accounts;
(f) Total amount of liquidated and delinquent accounts assigned to the Department of Revenue and the total amount collected by the department under ORS 293.250;
(g) Total amount of liquidated and delinquent accounts assigned to private collection agencies and the total amount collected by private collection agencies under ORS 293.231;
(h) Total number and total amount of all liquidated and delinquent accounts exempted under ORS 293.233;
(i) Total number and ending balance of all liquidated and delinquent accounts that have been placed in suspended collection status under ORS 305.155; and
(j) A statement indicating whether the agency has liquidated and delinquent accounts that are not exempt under ORS 293.233, or are otherwise prohibited or exempted by law from assignment, for which no payment has been received for more than 90 days and that have not been assigned to the Department of Revenue under ORS 293.231.

(2) If a state agency reports under subsection (1) of this section that the total ending balance of its liquidated and delinquent accounts is $50 million or greater, the state agency shall, not later than three months after it submits the report under subsection (1) of this section, submit an additional report to the committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to ways and means that:

(a) Describes major categories of liquidated and delinquent accounts held by the state agency;
(b) Describes circumstances under which the state agency writes off or adjusts liquidated and delinquent amounts or removes an account from liquidated and delinquent status;
(c) Describes actions undertaken by the state agency to reduce the amount of liquidated and delinquent debt owed to it at the end of each fiscal year; and
(d) Sets forth a plan for future actions that will reduce the amount of liquidated and delinquent debt owed to the state agency at the end of each fiscal year and describes any additional resources
that are necessary to carry out the plan.

(3) The Legislative Fiscal Office shall produce an annual report not later than [December 31] February 1 of each fiscal year on the status of liquidated and delinquent accounts of state agencies and the judicial branch of state government. The report shall be based on the reports submitted by state agencies as required in this section and on reports submitted by the judicial branch of state government under ORS 1.195.

(4) The report required under subsection (3) of this section shall:

(a) List those state agencies, including the judicial branch of state government, that have liquidated and delinquent accounts that are not exempt under ORS 1.198, 1.199 or 293.233, or are otherwise prohibited or exempted by law from assignment, for which no payment has been received for more than 90 days and that have not been assigned to a private collection agency or to the Department of Revenue under ORS 1.197 or assigned to the Department of Revenue under 293.231;

(b) List separately information about the liquidated and delinquent accounts of the Secretary of State, the State Treasurer, other state agencies in the executive branch of state government and the judicial branch of state government; and

(c) Include any other information the Legislative Fiscal Office determines is necessary to describe the status of liquidated and delinquent accounts across offices and branches of state government.

(5) Notwithstanding ORS 293.227, as used in this section, “state agency” has the meaning given that term in ORS 293.226, except that it:

(a) Does not include the judicial department as defined in ORS 174.113 or the legislative department as defined in ORS 174.114; and

(b) Includes public universities listed in ORS 352.002 and Oregon Health and Science University, notwithstanding ORS 352.138 and 353.100.

SECTION 2. ORS 293.252 is amended to read:

293.252. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall monitor state agency debt collection functions described by law and assist state agencies in efforts to improve the collection of delinquent debts owed to state agencies. The department’s duties under this subsection include, but are not limited to:

(a) Providing training to state agencies regarding processing and managing accounts receivable in compliance with applicable law and state policies.

(b) Providing technical assistance to state agencies in resolving challenges in processing and managing accounts receivable and developing financial administrative systems to improve the handling of liquidated and delinquent accounts.

(c) Developing performance standards for state debt collection, including but not limited to standards defining what constitutes liquidated and delinquent accounts and when debt may be written off pursuant to ORS 293.240.

(d) Working with state agencies to improve the quality and value of data that each state agency submits to the Legislative Fiscal Office for purposes of ORS 293.229.

(e) Submitting an annual management report to the Legislative Assembly not later than [December 31] February 1 of each fiscal year, in conjunction with the report of the Legislative Fiscal Office produced under ORS 293.229, that identifies important issues and significant trends in state agency debt collection practices and describes and evaluates efforts by state agencies to improve the collection of delinquent debt.

(2) The department shall adopt policies:
(a) Providing guidance for the collection of liquidated and delinquent accounts owing to state agencies.

(b) Setting procedures for state agencies to account for and manage information regarding the agency’s liquidated and delinquent accounts.

(c) After consultation with the Attorney General, setting criteria for effective and efficient assignment of liquidated and delinquent accounts to the Department of Revenue or private collection agencies, and setting performance measurements to be used in the application of the criteria.

(d) For the allocation, form and amount of charges or fees added to liquidated and delinquent accounts under ORS 293.231, 293.250 and 697.105.

(e) Setting exemptions or adjustments for state agencies that are prohibited by law from adding or collecting fees under ORS 293.231, 293.250 or 697.105 and for agencies for which the addition or collection of the fees is not feasible given the agency resources available for collection of accounts receivable.

(f) For the improvement of communications regarding liquidated and delinquent accounts among state agencies and between private collection agencies and the Department of Revenue.

(g) Describing conditions under which a state agency may request and collect Social Security numbers in accordance with state and federal law when it is reasonably foreseeable that a person may owe the state agency a liquidated and delinquent amount as a result of a transaction or activity.

(h) After consultation with the Attorney General, setting criteria under which state agencies, the Department of Revenue and private collection agencies may propose and accept offers of compromise as provided in ORS 293.240.

(3) As used in this section, “state agency” has the meaning given that term in ORS 293.226, except that it does not include the judicial department as defined in ORS 174.113, the Secretary of State or the State Treasurer.

SECTION 3. ORS 291.227 is amended to read:

291.227. (1)(a) As part of the development of the legislatively adopted budget, each state agency that employs more than 100 employees shall report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means the state agency’s maximum supervisory ratio for the biennium.

(b) Before submitting the report to the committee, a state agency shall provide a copy of the report to all labor organizations that represent employees of the state agency.

(2) A state agency must determine its maximum supervisory ratio by starting from a baseline ratio of one to 11 and adjusting the ratio based on some or all of the following factors:

(a) Safety of the public or of state agency employees;

(b) Geographic location of the agency’s employees;

(c) Complexity of the agency’s duties;

(d) Industry best practices and standards;

(e) Size and hours of operation of the agency;

(f) Unique personnel needs of the agency, including the agency’s use of volunteers or seasonal or temporary employees, or the exercise of supervisory authority by agency supervisory employees over personnel who are not agency employees; and

(g) Financial scope and responsibility of the agency.

(3) The Joint Committee on Ways and Means shall review the maximum supervisory ratios reported by state agencies. [The committee shall include the maximum supervisory ratio in a budget report or budget note for each state agency that reported a maximum supervisory ratio.]
(4) Subject to subsection (5) of this section, a state agency whose actual supervisory ratio is greater than its maximum supervisory ratio may not fill a supervisory position.

(5)(a) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services may exempt a state agency from the limitations of subsection (4) of this section if the department determines that an additional supervisory position is reasonably necessary to the state agency. The department must make the determination with reference to some or all of the factors set forth in subsection (2) of this section.

(b) At least five business days before granting an exemption under this subsection, the department shall notify all labor organizations that represent employees of the state agency of its intent to grant the exemption.

(6)(a) The department shall, once per quarter, produce reports on the actual supervisory ratio of each state agency. The reports must include data on job families within each state agency to the extent such data is reasonably available.

(b) The department shall make the reports publicly available on the Internet and shall notify all labor organizations that represent state employees when the reports are available.

(7) The department may adopt rules for the administration of this section, including rules governing how temporary, seasonal or part-time employees are accounted for in the calculation of a supervisory ratio.

(8) As used in this section:

(a) “Job families” means groups of occupations based upon work performed, skills, education, training and credentials.

(b) “Legislatively adopted budget” has the meaning given that term in ORS 291.002.

(c)(A) “State agency” means all state officers, boards, commissions, departments, institutions, branches, agencies, divisions and other entities, without regard to the designation given to those entities, that are within the executive branch of government as described in Article III, section 1, of the Oregon Constitution.

(B) “State agency” does not include:

(i) The legislative department as defined in ORS 174.114;

(ii) The judicial department as defined in ORS 174.113;

(iii) The Public Defense Services Commission;

(iv) The Secretary of State and the State Treasurer;

(v) Semi-independent state agencies listed in ORS 182.454;

(vi) The Oregon Tourism Commission;

(vii) The Oregon Film and Video Office;

(viii) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002;

(ix) The Oregon Health and Science University;

(x) The Travel Information Council;

(xi) Oregon Corrections Enterprises;

(xii) The Oregon State Lottery Commission;

(xiii) The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation;

(xiv) The Oregon Utility Notification Center;

(xv) Oregon Community Power;

(xvi) The Citizens’ Utility Board;

(xvii) A special government body as defined in ORS 174.117;

(xviii) Any other public corporation created under a statute of this state and specifically designated as a public corporation; and
(xix) Any other semi-independent state agency denominated by statute as a semi-independent state agency.

d) “Supervisory employee” has the meaning given that term in ORS 243.650.

e) “Supervisory ratio” means the ratio of employees who are supervisory employees to employees who are not supervisory employees.

OREGON MEDICAL BOARD

SECTION 4. Section 6, chapter 643, Oregon Laws 2019, is repealed.

LOTTERY TRANSFER TO EMPLOYER INCENTIVE FUND

SECTION 5. Section 44, chapter 355, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 44. (1) The Oregon State Lottery Commission shall separately record and account for the costs and net proceeds of sports betting games.

(2) When the commission transfers net lottery proceeds to the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund established under ORS 461.540;

(a) The commission shall certify to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services the amount of such transfer that represents the net proceeds of sports betting games;

(b) The Public Employees Retirement Board shall certify to the department the total amount of matching amounts approved for disbursement, but not yet disbursed, from the Employer Incentive Fund pursuant to section 2, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018; and

(3) The department shall transfer an amount equal to the net proceeds of sports betting games to the Employer Incentive Fund established under section 1, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018.

to the Employer Incentive Fund from the Administrative Services Economic Development Fund equal to the lesser of:

(A) The amount certified under subsection (2)(a) of this section, reduced by the percentage of net lottery proceeds dedicated to specific purposes under the Oregon Constitution; or

(B) The amount certified under subsection (2)(b) of this section.

OREGON TRANSPARENCY WEBSITE

SECTION 6. ORS 276A.253 is amended to read:

276A.253. (1)(a) The State Chief Information Officer shall maintain and make available an Oregon transparency website. The website must allow any person to view information that is a public record and is not exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.311 to 192.478, including but not limited to information described in subsection (3) of this section. The State Chief Information Officer shall provide on the home page of the website a method for users to offer suggestions regarding the form or content of the website.

(b) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall assist the State Chief Information Officer in performing duties under paragraph (a) of this subsection to the extent the State Chief Information Officer deems the assistance necessary.

(2) State agencies and education service districts, to the extent practicable and subject to laws relating to confidentiality, when at no additional cost, using existing data and existing resources of the state agency or education service district and without reallocation of resources, shall:
(a) Furnish information to the Oregon transparency website by posting reports and providing links to existing information system applications in accordance with standards that the State Chief Information Officer establishes; and

(b) Provide the information in the format and manner that the State Chief Information Officer requires.

(3) To the extent practicable and subject to laws relating to confidentiality, when at no additional cost, using existing data and existing resources of the state agency or education service district and without reallocation of resources, the Oregon transparency website must contain information about each state agency and education service district, including but not limited to:

(a) Annual revenues of state agencies and education service districts;

(b) Annual expenditures of state agencies and education service districts;

(c) Annual human resources expenses, including compensation, of state agencies and education service districts;

(d) Annual tax expenditures of state agencies, including, when possible, the identity of the recipients of each tax expenditure;

(e) For each state agency, a description of the percentage of expenditures made in this state and the percentage of expenditures made outside this state under all contracts for goods or services the state agency enters into during each biennium;

(f) A prominently placed graphic representation of the primary funding categories and approximate number of individuals that the state agency or the education service district serves;

(g) A description of the mission, function and program categories of the state agency or education service district;

(h) A copy of any audit report that the Secretary of State issues for the state agency or the education service district;

(i) The local service plans of the education service districts;

(j) A copy of each report required by statute for education service districts; and

(k) A copy of all notices of public meetings of the education service districts.

(4) In addition to the information described in subsection (3) of this section:

(a) The State Chief Information Officer shall post on the Oregon transparency website notices of public meetings the state agency must provide under ORS 192.640. If the state agency maintains a website where minutes or summaries of the public meetings are available, the state agency shall provide the State Chief Information Officer with the link to the state agency website for posting on the Oregon transparency website.

(b) The State Chief Information Officer shall post on the Oregon transparency website a link for the website that the Secretary of State maintains for rules that the state agency adopts. If the state agency maintains a website where the state agency posts the rules, or where any information relating to the rules of the agency is posted, the state agency shall provide the State Chief Information Officer with the link to the website for posting on the Oregon transparency website.

(c) The State Chief Information Officer shall provide links on the Oregon transparency website for information that the State Chief Information Officer receives concerning contracts and subcontracts that a state agency or education service district enters into, to the extent that disclosing the information is allowed by law and the information is already available on websites that the state agency or education service district maintains. To the extent available, the information to which the State Chief Information Officer links under this section must include:

(A) Information on professional, personal and material contracts;
(B) The date of each contract and the amount payable under the contract;
(C) The period during which the contract is or was in effect; and
(D) The names and addresses of vendors.

(d) The State Chief Information Officer shall provide an economic development section on the Oregon transparency website for posting of information submitted to the State Chief Information Officer by state agencies responsible for administering specific economic development programs. The section shall include, but not be limited to, the following information, if it is already collected or available within an existing database maintained by the state agency in the course of administering the economic development program:

(A) The names of filmmakers or companies that have received reimbursements from the Oregon Production Investment Fund under ORS 284.368 and the amount of each reimbursement;
(B) The amount of revenue bonds issued under ORS 285A.430 for the Beginning and Expanding Farmer Loan Program, the names of persons who received loans under the program and the amount of the loan;
(C) The names of persons who received grants, loans or equity investments from the Oregon Innovation Council under ORS 284.742 and the purpose and amount of the grant, loan or equity investment;
(D) Copies of, or links to, annual reports required to be filed under ORS 285C.615 under the strategic investment program;
(E) Copies of, or links to, annual certifications required to be filed under ORS 285C.506 for the business development income tax exemption; and
(F) Information required to be posted on the Oregon transparency website under ORS 276A.256.

(e) The information reported under paragraph (d) of this subsection:
(A) May not include proprietary information; and
(B) Shall be provided to the State Chief Information Officer by the state agency in the format and manner required by the State Chief Information Officer.

(f) The State Chief Information Officer shall post on the Oregon transparency website information describing the process for requesting copies of public records from a public body, including a link to the public records section of the Department of Justice webpage. At the request of a state agency or education service district, the State Chief Information Officer shall include a link to a location on the webpage of the agency or district that describes the process for requesting public records from the agency or district.

(5) In operating, refining and recommending enhancements to the Oregon transparency website, the State Chief Information Officer and the Transparency Oregon Advisory Commission created in ORS 276A.259 shall consider and, to the extent practicable, adhere to the following principles:
(a) The website must be accessible without cost and be easy to use;
(b) Information included on the Oregon transparency website must be presented using plain, easily understandable language; and
(c) The website should teach users about how state government and education service districts work and provide users with the opportunity to learn something about how state government and education service districts raise and spend revenue.

(6) If a state agency or an education service district is not able to include information described in this section on the Oregon transparency website because of the lack of availability of information or cost in acquiring information, the Transparency Oregon Advisory Commission created in ORS 276A.259 shall list the information that is not included for the state agency or education service
district in the commission’s report to the Legislative Assembly required under ORS 276A.259.

(7)(a) For the purpose of providing transparency in the revenues, expenditures and budgets of the following entities, the State Chief Information Officer shall include on the Oregon transparency website a page that provides links to websites established by:

(A) Local governments, as defined in ORS 174.116.

(B) Special government bodies, as defined in ORS 174.117.

(C) Semi-independent state agencies listed in ORS 182.454.

(D) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002.

(E) Public university statewide programs operated by a public university listed in ORS 352.002.

(F) The Oregon Health and Science University.

(G) The Oregon Tourism Commission.

(H) The Oregon Film and Video Office.

(I) The Travel Information Council.

(J) The Children’s Trust Fund of Oregon Foundation.

(K) Oregon Corrections Enterprises.

(L) The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation.

(M) The Oregon Utility Notification Center.

(N) Any public corporation created under a statute of this state and specifically designated as a public corporation.

(b) The State Chief Information Officer shall include a link to an entity’s website after receiving a request from the entity and shall consider recommendations from the Transparency Oregon Advisory Commission for including other links to websites of the entities listed in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

(c) At the request of any local government, as defined in ORS 174.116, or special government body, as defined in ORS 174.117, the State Chief Information Officer shall include on the Oregon transparency website notices of public meetings required to be provided under ORS 192.640 by the local government or special government body. The local government or special government body must submit public meeting notice information in the format and manner required by the State Chief Information Officer.

(d) The office of the State Chief Information Officer shall include a prominent link on the home page of the Oregon transparency website for information posted to the page described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

(8) Nothing in this section prohibits the State Chief Information Officer or the Oregon Department of Administrative Services from incurring costs or requesting additional resources to develop, maintain or enhance the Oregon transparency website.

COMMON SCHOOL FUND

SECTION 7. Section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, as amended by sections 81 and 82, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 22. (1) On or before January 31 of each year, the [State Treasurer] Department of State Lands shall transfer from the Common School Fund Account to the School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund established in section 24, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, [all or part of the interest earned] 30 percent of the difference of:

(a) The investment earnings in the previous [calendar] state fiscal year from the cumulative
unclaimed property deposited in the Common School Fund Account under ORS 98.386 [to which the state has not taken title, as described in subsection (2) of this section.]

(2) The amount made available under subsection (1) of this section may not exceed an amount equal to the proceeds from unclaimed property received by the State Treasurer in the previous calendar year, minus:

[(a) The amount paid for unclaimed property claims under ORS 98.396 in the previous calendar year; and]

(b) The sum of:

(A) The investment expenses [of] for [the State Treasurer related to] the Common School Fund [for] in the previous [calendar] state fiscal year; and

[(c)] (B) Operating expenses [that the State Treasurer is entitled to recover for] of the department for programs managed by the department paid from the Common School Fund in the previous [calendar] state fiscal year.

(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, if the amount described in subsection (1)(b) of this section is greater than the amount described in subsection (1)(a) of this section, no moneys may be transferred under this section.

SECTION 8. Section 85, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 85. (1) Sections 1 to 6, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, [of this 2019 Act] become operative on July 1, 2021.

(2) The amendments to statutes and session law by sections 7 to 80, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, [of this 2019 Act] become operative on July 1, 2021.


(5) The State Treasurer, the Department of State Lands and the State Land Board may take any actions before the operative dates specified in subsections (1) to (4) of this section necessary to enable the State Treasurer to exercise, on and after the operative dates specified in subsections (1) to (4) of this section, the duties, functions and powers required under [this 2019 Act] chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019.


SECTION 10. Section 23, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, as amended by section 83, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 23. Section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, as amended by sections 81 and 82, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, and section 7 of this 2020 Act [of this 2019 Act], is repealed on January 2, 2027.

NONSTATE EMPLOYEE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

SECTION 11. ORS 410.612 is amended to read:

410.612. (1) For purposes of collective bargaining under ORS 243.650 to 243.806, the Home Care Commission is the employer of record for home care workers and personal support workers.

(2) Except as provided in ORS 410.614 and 410.619, home care workers and personal support workers may not be considered to be employees of the State of Oregon, an area agency, a support
services brokerage or other public agency.

(3)(a) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall represent the commission in collective bargaining negotiations with the certified or recognized exclusive representatives of all appropriate bargaining units of home care workers and personal support workers. The department is authorized to agree to terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements on behalf of the commission and the Department of Human Services.

(b) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall report to the legislative review agency, as defined in ORS 291.371, on any new or changed provisions relating to compensation in a collective bargaining agreement negotiated under this section.

SECTION 12. ORS 329A.430 is amended to read:

329A.430. (1) As used in this section:

(a) “Certified family child care provider” means an individual who operates a family child care home that is certified under ORS 329A.280.

(b) “Child care subsidy” means a payment made by the state on behalf of eligible children for child care services provided for periods of less than 24 hours in a day.

(c) “Exempt family child care provider” means an individual who provides child care services in the home of the individual or in the home of the child, whose services are not required to be certified or registered under ORS 329A.250 to 329A.450 and who receives a child care subsidy.

(d) “Family child care provider” means an individual who is a certified, registered or exempt family child care provider.

(e) “Registered family child care provider” means an individual who operates a family child care home that is registered under ORS 329A.330.

(2) For purposes of collective bargaining under ORS 243.650 to 243.806, the State of Oregon is the public employer of record of family child care providers.

(3) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (19), family child care providers are considered to be public employees governed by ORS 243.650 to 243.806. Family child care providers have the right to form, join and participate in the activities of labor organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation and collective bargaining on matters concerning labor relations. These rights shall be exercised in accordance with the rights granted to public employees, with mediation and interest arbitration under ORS 243.742 as the method of concluding the collective bargaining process. Family child care providers may not strike.

(4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, family child care providers are not for any other purpose employees of the State of Oregon or any other public body.

(5)(a) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall represent the State of Oregon in collective bargaining negotiations with the certified or recognized exclusive representatives of all appropriate bargaining units of family child care providers. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services is authorized to agree to terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements on behalf of the State of Oregon.

(b) The department shall report to the legislative review agency, as defined in ORS 291.371, on any new or changed provisions relating to compensation in a collective bargaining agreement negotiated under this section.

(6) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (1):

(a) The appropriate bargaining unit for certified and registered family child care providers is a bargaining unit of all certified and registered family child care providers in the state.

(b) The appropriate bargaining unit for exempt family child care providers is a bargaining unit
of all exempt family child care providers in the state.

(7) This section does not modify any right of a parent or legal guardian to choose and terminate the services of a family child care provider.

SECTION 13. ORS 443.733 is amended to read:

443.733. (1) As used in this section, “adult foster care home provider” means a person who operates an adult foster home in the provider’s home and who receives fees or payments from state funds for providing adult foster care home services. “Adult foster care home provider” does not include a person:

(a) Who is a resident manager of an adult foster home who does not provide adult foster care home services in the resident manager’s own home or who does not have a controlling interest in, or is not an officer or partner in, the entity that is the provider of adult foster care home services;

(b) Who is not a natural person; or

(c) Whose participation in collective bargaining is determined by the licensing agency to be inconsistent with this section or in violation of state or federal law.

(2) For purposes of collective bargaining under ORS 243.650 to 243.806, the State of Oregon is the public employer of record of adult foster care home providers.

(3) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (19), adult foster care home providers are considered to be public employees governed by ORS 243.650 to 243.806. Adult foster care home providers have the right to form, join and participate in the activities of labor organizations of their own choosing for the purposes of representation and collective bargaining on matters concerning labor relations. Mandatory subjects of collective bargaining include but are not limited to provider base rates and add-on payments. These rights shall be exercised in accordance with the rights granted to public employees, with mediation and interest arbitration under ORS 243.742 as the method of concluding the collective bargaining process. Adult foster care home providers may not strike.

(4) Notwithstanding subsections (2) and (3) of this section, adult foster care home providers are not for any other purpose employees of the State of Oregon or any other public body.

(5) (a) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall represent the State of Oregon in collective bargaining negotiations with the certified or recognized exclusive representative of an appropriate bargaining unit of adult foster care home providers. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services is authorized to agree to terms and conditions of collective bargaining agreements on behalf of the State of Oregon.

(b) The department shall report to the legislative review agency, as defined in ORS 291.371, on any new or changed provisions relating to compensation in a collective bargaining agreement negotiated under this section.

(6) Notwithstanding ORS 243.650 (1), an appropriate bargaining unit for adult foster care home providers is any bargaining unit recognized by the Governor in an executive order issued prior to January 1, 2008.

(7) This section does not modify any right of an adult receiving foster care.

WATER SUPPLY DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT

SECTION 14. Section 20, chapter 725, Oregon Laws 2017, is amended to read:

Sec. 20. An expenditure of moneys from the Water Supply Development Account is not subject to any application process or public benefit scoring or ranking under ORS 541.663, 541.666, 541.669, 541.673 or 541.677 if the expenditure is for a purpose:
(1) Specifically identified in an appropriation to the account from the General Fund [for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017,] for carrying out the purpose; or
(2) Specifically identified in legislation [enacted by the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly] that authorizes a transfer of lottery bond proceeds to the account for carrying out the purpose.

SECTION 15. Section 21, chapter 725, Oregon Laws 2017, is repealed.

DEBT SERVICE

SECTION 16. Section 4, chapter 609, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 4. There is appropriated to the Department of Education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, out of the General Fund, the amount of $32,479,290 for debt service on Article XI-P general obligation bonds.

SECTION 17. Section 6, chapter 609, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 6. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses, other than expenses described in sections 7 and 10 of this 2019 Act, from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the Department of Education, for the following purposes:

(1) Capital bonding .................. $ 130,000,000
(2) Operations .................. $ 46,360,200
(3) Oregon School for the Deaf ........ $ 6,281,693
(4) Debt service for outstanding general obligation bonds [sold] pursuant to Article XI-P of the Oregon Constitution .................. $ 1

SECTION 18. Section 5a, chapter 642, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

Sec. 5a. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of $1 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and federal funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development for contract services, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds not described in this section, collected or received by the Housing and Community Services Department, for debt service and related costs for outstanding general obligation bonds sold pursuant to Article XI-Q of the Oregon Constitution.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM

SECTION 19. Section 20 of this 2020 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 238.

SECTION 20. At least 30 days before crediting any interest or other income received through investment of moneys to any fund or account, the Public Employees Retirement Board shall submit a preliminary proposal for crediting to the appropriate legislative review agency, as defined in ORS 291.371 (1), for its review and comment. The proposal shall identify gross earnings, investment expenses and administrative expenses, by fund or account, related to the crediting of the interest or other income.

SECTION 21. ORS 238.670 is amended to read:

238.670. (1) At the close of each calendar year in which the earnings on the Public Employees
Retirement Fund equal or exceed the assumed interest rate established by the Public Employees Retirement Board under ORS 238.255, the board shall set aside, out of interest and other income received through investment of the Public Employees Retirement Fund during that calendar year, such part of the income as the board may deem advisable, not exceeding seven and one-half percent of the combined total of such income, which moneys so segregated shall remain in the fund and constitute therein a reserve account. The board shall continue to credit the reserve account in the manner required by this subsection until the board determines that the reserve account is adequately funded for the purposes specified in this subsection, but the board may not credit further amounts to the reserve account if the amounts in the reserve account exceed $50 million. Such reserve account shall be maintained and used by the board to prevent any deficit of moneys available for the payment of retirement allowances, due to interest fluctuations, changes in mortality rate or, except as provided in subsection (3) or (4) of this section, other contingency. In addition, the reserve account may be used by the board for the following purposes:

(a) To prevent any deficit in the fund by reason of the insolvency of a participating public employer. Reserves under this paragraph may be funded only from the earnings on employer contributions made under ORS 238.225.

(b) To pay any legal expenses or judgments that do not arise in the ordinary course of adjudicating an individual member's benefits or an individual employer's liabilities.

(2) At the close of each calendar year, the board shall set aside, out of interest and other income received during the calendar year, after deducting the amounts provided by law and to the extent that such income is available, a sufficient amount to credit to the reserves for pension accounts and annuities varying percentage amounts adopted by the board as a result of periodic actuarial investigations. If total income available for distribution exceeds those percentages of the total accumulated contributions of employees and employers, the reserves for pensions and annuities shall participate in such excess.

(3) The board may set aside, out of interest and other income received through investment of the fund, such part of the income as the board considers necessary, which moneys so segregated shall remain in the fund and constitute one or more reserve accounts. Such reserve accounts shall be maintained and used by the board to offset gains and losses of invested capital. The board, from time to time, may cause to be transferred from the reserve account provided for in subsection (1) of this section to a reserve account provided for in this subsection such amount as the board determines to be unnecessary for the purposes set forth in subsection (1) of this section and to be necessary for the purposes set forth in this subsection.

(4) The board may provide for amortizing gains and losses of invested capital in such instances as the board determines that amortization is preferable to a reserve account provided for in subsection (3) of this section.

(5) At least 30 days before crediting any interest and other income received through investment of the Public Employees Retirement Fund to any reserve account in the fund, the board shall submit a preliminary proposal for crediting to the appropriate legislative review agency, as defined in ORS 291.371 (1), for its review and comment.

SECTION 22. Notwithstanding section 24, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, the amount of $15,500,000 is transferred from the School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund to the Employer Incentive Fund established under section 1, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, to be used to provide matching amounts as described in section 2, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018. The transfer shall be made on May 31, 2020.
GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATION BALANCES

SECTION 23. ORS 293.195 is amended to read:

293.195. (1) Any difference between the amount appropriated for a biennium to the judicial department as defined in ORS 174.113, including amounts appropriated to any agency of the judicial department, and the amount of the appropriation actually expended on or before the end of the biennium, is continuously appropriated to the judicial department, out of the General Fund, for payment of expenses of the judicial department for the next biennium.

(2) Any difference between the amount appropriated for a biennium to the legislative department as defined in ORS 174.114, including amounts appropriated to any agency of the legislative department, and the amount of the appropriation actually expended on or before the end of the biennium, is continuously appropriated to the legislative department, out of the General Fund, for payment of expenses of the legislative department for the next biennium.

(3) The appropriations made by subsections (1) and (2) of this section are subject to adjustment by the Legislative Assembly. The Legislative Assembly shall reflect the appropriations, including any adjustments thereto, in an appropriation measure during each biennium.

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

SECTION 24. Sections 1, 2 and 3, chapter 643, Oregon Laws 2019, are repealed.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' BENEFIT BOARD

SECTION 25. Section 7, chapter 643, Oregon Laws 2019, is repealed.

JUDICIARY

SECTION 26. ORS 3.012 is amended to read:

3.012. (1) The judicial districts, the counties constituting the judicial districts and the number of circuit court judges for each judicial district are as follows:

(a) The first judicial district consists of Jackson County and has 10 judges.
(b) The second judicial district consists of Lane County and has 15 judges.
(c) The third judicial district consists of Marion County and has 15 judges.
(d) The fourth judicial district consists of Multnomah County and has 38 judges.
(e) The fifth judicial district consists of Clackamas County and has 11 judges.
(f) The sixth judicial district consists of the counties of Morrow and Umatilla and has five judges.
(g) The seventh judicial district consists of the counties of Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler and has four judges.
(h) The eighth judicial district consists of Baker County and has one judge.
(i) The ninth judicial district consists of Malheur County and has two judges.
(j) The tenth judicial district consists of the counties of Union and Wallowa and has two judges.
(k) The eleventh judicial district consists of Deschutes County and has seven judges.
(L) The twelfth judicial district consists of Polk County and has three judges.
(m) The thirteenth judicial district consists of Klamath County and has five judges.
(n) The fourteenth judicial district consists of Josephine County and has five judges.
(o) The fifteenth judicial district consists of the counties of Coos and Curry and has six judges.
(p) The sixteenth judicial district consists of Douglas County and has six judges.
(q) The seventeenth judicial district consists of Lincoln County and has three judges.
(r) The eighteenth judicial district consists of Clatsop County and has three judges.
(s) The nineteenth judicial district consists of Columbia County and has three judges.
(t) The twentieth judicial district consists of Washington County and has 15 judges.
(u) The twenty-first judicial district consists of Benton County and has three judges.
(v) The twenty-second judicial district consists of the counties of Crook and Jefferson and has three judges.
(w) The twenty-third judicial district consists of Linn County and has five judges.
(x) The twenty-fourth judicial district consists of the counties of Grant and Harney and has one judge.
(y) The twenty-fifth judicial district consists of Yamhill County and has four judges.
(z) The twenty-sixth judicial district consists of Lake County and has one judge.
(aa) The twenty-seventh judicial district consists of Tillamook County and has two judges.
(b) The Secretary of State shall designate position numbers equal to the number of judges in each of the judicial districts established by this section. The positions shall reflect any qualifications established by ORS 3.041.

OREGON BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

SECTION 27. (1) The Tide Gate Grant and Loan Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Tide Gate Grant and Loan Fund must be credited to the fund.
(2) The Tide Gate Grant and Loan Fund consists of:
(a) Moneys allocated to the Oregon Business Development Department under section 3 (4), chapter 670, Oregon Laws 2019;
(b) Moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise;
(c) Repayments, including interest, of disbursements from the fund;
(d) Moneys received for deposit in the fund from the federal government, state agencies or local governments; and
(e) Interest earned on moneys in the fund.
(3) The moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the department for the purposes specified in section 28 of this 2020 Act.

SECTION 28. (1) The Oregon Business Development Department may directly or indirectly grant, expend or lend moneys from the Tide Gate Grant and Loan Fund established under section 27 of this 2020 Act to:
(a) Provide grants or loans to plan or construct tide gates, culverts and associated drainage infrastructure;
(b) Obtain professional services for tide gate coordination or for technical studies that have a statewide benefit for tide gate project development; or
(c) Pay administrative expenses of the department incurred in carrying out the pro-
visions of this section, including costs of investigating and processing an application, developing contracts, monitoring use of grants or loans by a recipient, investigating and resolving budget discrepancies, closing a project and providing financial and other assistance associated with expenditures from the fund.

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

SECTION 29. Sections 27 and 28 of this 2020 Act are repealed on June 30, 2023.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

SECTION 30. (1) As used in this section, “alternative education program” means an education program or school that:

(a) Primarily serves students in a physical location; and

(b) Is operated by an education service district as an alternative education program or is registered with the Department of Education as a private alternative education program as provided by ORS 336.631.

(2) An alternative education program may apply to the Department of Education for a grant under this section if the alternative education program has a student population of which at least 35 percent of the student population is composed of students from the following student groups:

(a) Economically disadvantaged, as described in ORS 327.180 (2)(b)(A);

(b) Racial or ethnic groups that have historically experienced academic disparities, as described in ORS 327.180 (2)(b)(B); or

(c) Students with disabilities, as described in ORS 327.180 (2)(b)(C).

(3) Grant moneys received under this section may be used by a grant recipient only for the purposes identified in ORS 327.180 (3).

(4) The department shall use moneys in the Statewide Education Initiatives Account to award grants as described in this section. Grants may be awarded only for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 school years.

(5) The State Board of Education shall adopt rules necessary for the administration of this section. The rules must include:

(a) Timelines for submitting a grant application and entering into a grant agreement;

(b) Requirements for the process an alternative education program must follow to determine the contents of the grant application and grant agreement;

(c) Reporting requirements or other accountability measures; and

(d) Calculations of grant amounts, which must:

(A) Be based, to the greatest extent practicable, on the weighted average daily membership of the alternative education program; and

(B) Identify a minimum amount to be distributed to an alternative education program.

SECTION 31. Section 30 of this 2020 Act is repealed July 1, 2022.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

SECTION 32. Section 4, chapter 643, Oregon Laws 2019, is repealed.

SECTION 33. ORS 147.225 is amended to read:
147.225. There is established the Criminal Injuries Compensation Account. All moneys in the
account are continuously appropriated for and may be used by the Department of Justice for the
purposes authorized in ORS 147.005 to 147.367, 147.390 and 147.397.

SECTION 34. ORS 147.390 is amended to read:

147.390. [(1) Notwithstanding that a child is not a victim under ORS 147.015 (1)(a), in cases of
suspected child sexual abuse as described in ORS 419B.005 (1)(a)(C), (D) or (E), or child physical
abuse by an adult or caretaker as otherwise described in ORS 419B.005 (1)(a)(A), compensation may
be made on behalf of the child for services provided by a children’s advocacy center, including a child
abuse assessment, a medical assessment or a forensic interview, if:]

[(a) The expenses are actually paid or incurred by the applicant; and]

[(b) A claim is filed on behalf of the child in the manner provided in ORS 147.015.]

[(2) The Department of Justice may pay compensation for child abuse assessments or medical as-
essessments required by ORS 419B.023 regardless of whether a finding of abuse is made and only if
other insurance is unavailable. If the department pays compensation, the department shall pay the
compensation directly to the provider of the services. The medical fee schedules for payment under this
section shall be the schedules adopted under ORS 147.035.]

(1) In cases of suspected child sexual abuse as described in ORS 419B.005 (1)(a)(C), (D)
or (E), or child physical abuse by an adult or caretaker as otherwise described in ORS
419B.005 (1)(a)(A), the Department of Justice may pay for services provided by a children’s
advocacy center, including child abuse assessments, medical assessments and forensic
interviews. Payments under this section may be made regardless of whether a finding of
abuse is made. The department shall make payments under this section directly to the
children’s advocacy center.

(2) A children’s advocacy center may not charge the department more for medical ser-
vice than the maximum amounts established in the medical fee schedules adopted under
ORS 147.035.

(3) As used in this section, “child abuse assessment,” “children’s advocacy center,” “forensic
interview” and “medical assessment” have the meanings given those terms in ORS 418.782.

OREGON TOURISM COMMISSION

SECTION 35. The Oregon Tourism Commission shall, upon request, provide information
and assistance to the Oregon Business Development Department, the Oregon Department
of Administrative Services and the Legislative Fiscal Officer for purposes of a report by the
Oregon Business Development Department on budgetary, administrative and statutory ad-
justments necessary to establish the commission as a program within the department.

SECTION 36. Notwithstanding ORS 192.311 to 192.478, the Oregon Business Development
Department, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Legislative Fiscal
Officer may not disclose, in response to a public records request under ORS 192.311 to
192.478, any information or records received from the Oregon Tourism Commission pursuant
to section 35 of this 2020 Act.

SECTION 37. Section 35 of this 2020 Act is repealed on June 30, 2021.

HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
SECTION 38. Section 15, chapter __, Oregon Laws 2020 (Enrolled House Bill 4001) is amended to read:

Sec. 15. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, out of the General Fund, the following amounts:

(1) $1,500,000 to Yamhill County for a navigation center within the urban growth boundary of the City of McMinnville, pursuant to section 10 of this 2020 Act;
(2) $2,500,000 to the City of Bend for a navigation center pursuant to section 10 of this 2020 Act;
(3) $2,500,000 to the City of Medford for a navigation center pursuant to section 10 of this 2020 Act;
(4) $5,000,000 to the City of Salem for a navigation center pursuant to section 10 of this 2020 Act; and
(5) $5,000,000 to Lane County, for use within the City of Eugene, for a navigation center pursuant to section 10 of this 2020 Act.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SECTION 39. ORS 391.800, 391.802, 391.810, 391.815, 391.820 and 391.830 are repealed.

SECTION 40. No later than July 1, 2021, the Department of Transportation shall transfer from the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established under ORS 391.800 to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established under ORS 184.751 any amounts remaining in the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund.

SECTION 41. ORS 184.751 is amended to read:

184.751. (1) The Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund shall be credited to the fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation to finance investments and improvements [in] or to maintain existing public transportation services, except that the moneys may not be used for light rail capital expenses but may be used for light rail operation expenses.
(2) The Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund consists of:
(a) All moneys received from the tax imposed under ORS 320.550;
(b) Moneys appropriated or otherwise transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly;
(c) Moneys transferred to the fund under ORS 184.642, 323.455 or 323.457 (1)(d) and (2)(b);
(d) Distribution repayments, if any; and
[(e)] (e) Other moneys deposited in the fund from any source.
(3) Unless approved by the department, the moneys in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund may not be used to supplant local and regional agency moneys currently directed to public transportation service providers.

SECTION 42. ORS 184.758 is amended to read:

184.758. (1) The Oregon Transportation Commission shall distribute the moneys in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established under ORS 184.751 [as follows:] to the Department of Transportation to pay for:
(a) Program administration; and
(b) Projects of statewide significance that support the transit network and manage the operation of public transportation services.

(2) The moneys described in subsection (1) of this section that remain after the allocation of moneys described in subsection (1) of this section shall be allocated as follows:

(a) Conditioned upon the commission’s approval of a public transportation improvement plan, 90 percent to qualified entities;

(b) Five percent to public transportation service providers based on a competitive grant program adopted by the commission by rule;

(c) Four percent to public transportation service providers to provide funding assistance to cover the costs of improving public transportation services between two or more communities; and

(d) One percent to the Department of Transportation [to pay the department’s administrative costs and expenses associated with carrying out the provisions of ORS 184.752 to 184.766 and] to establish a statewide public transportation technical resource center, the purpose of which is to assist public transportation service providers in rural areas with technical assistance, training, transportation planning and information technology.

(3) A portion of the percentage distributions under subsection (2)(a) of this section shall be dedicated to transit services for older adults and individuals with disabilities. Each biennium the commission shall first distribute the moneys transferred to the fund under ORS 184.751 as needed to maintain funding that benefits older adults and individuals with disabilities in the amount distributed during the 2019-2021 biennium. However, this amount shall be adjusted upwards or downwards by the commission biennially based on the rate of growth or decline of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund. The percentage distributions under subsection (2)(a) of this section shall be distributed as follows:

(a) Each transportation district and mass transit district shall receive that share of the moneys as the population of the counties in which the district is situated, determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.610 last preceding apportionment of the moneys, bears to the total population of this state. However, if two or more districts are situated in a single county, distribution of moneys under this subsection shall be determined as though only the mass transit district is located in that county or, if there are two or more transportation districts in the county, as though only the transportation district with the highest population is located in that county.

(b) Each county in which no part of a mass transit district or transportation district is located shall receive that share of the moneys as its population, determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.610 last preceding apportionment of the moneys, bears to the total population of this state.

(c) Each federally recognized Indian tribe shall receive that share of the moneys as the population of the tribe residing in Oregon, determined by the commission by rule, bears to the total population of this state.

(4) Each qualified entity under subsection (3) of this section shall receive an annual amount of no less than $67,700. However, this amount shall be adjusted upwards or downwards by the commission biennially based on the rate of growth or decline of the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund.

[20] (5) For purposes of the percentage distributions under subsection [(1)(a) (2)(a) of this section:

(a) Each distribution must be in such shares that the amount of tax paid, as required under ORS
320.550, in the area of each qualified entity bears to the total amount of the tax paid statewide,
provided that each qualified entity receives an annual amount of [at least $100,000] no less than
$100,000. However, this amount shall be adjusted upwards or downwards by the commission
biennially based on the rate of growth or decline of the Statewide Transportation Improve-
ment Fund.

(b) If more than one mass transit district or transportation district is located within a single
county, the commission shall distribute the moneys to the larger district.

[(3)] (6) The commission shall adopt by rule:

(a) A competitive grant program, by which a public transportation service provider may apply
for a percentage distribution under subsection [(1)(b)] (2)(b) of this section, and the terms and con-
ditions of grants.

(b) A competitive grant program, by which a public transportation service provider may apply
for a percentage distribution under subsection [(1)(c)] (2)(c) of this section, and the terms and con-
ditions of grants.

(c) A process to review and approve a public transportation improvement plan submitted under
subsection [(4)] (7) of this section.

(d) Procedures for appealing a rejection of a public transportation improvement plan submitted
under subsection [(4)] (7) of this section.

(e) Any other provisions or procedures that are necessary for the commission to carry out the
provisions of ORS 184.758 to 184.766.

[(4)] (7) To be eligible to receive a percentage distribution under subsection [(1)(a)] (2)(a) of this
section, a qualified entity shall prepare and submit a public transportation improvement plan to the
commission. The commission must approve the plan submitted by the qualified entity before the
commission may make a percentage distribution to the qualified entity.

[(5)] (8) At a minimum, a public transportation improvement plan submitted under this section
must include:

(a) For each proposed project, the amount of moneys from the percentage distribution that would
be allocated to the project to fund the following:

(A) Increased frequency of bus service schedules in communities with a high percentage of
low-income households;

(B) Procurement of buses that are powered by natural gas or electricity for use in areas with
a population of 200,000 or more;

(C) Implementation of programs to reduce fares for public transportation in communities with
a high percentage of low-income households;

(D) Expansion of bus routes and bus services to reach communities with a high percentage of
low-income households;

(E) Improvement in the frequency and reliability of service connections between communities
inside and outside of the qualified entity’s service area;

(F) Coordination between public transportation service providers to reduce fragmentation in the
provision of transportation services; [and]

(G) Implementation of programs to provide student transit services for students in grades 9
through 12; and

(H) Services for older adults and people with disabilities;

(b) For the current fiscal year, a summary of any plans and project proposals approved by an
advisory committee under ORS 184.761; and
(c) If a qualified entity was a recipient of a percentage distribution in the preceding fiscal year, the amount of moneys received from the distribution that were allocated to a project for the purposes described under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

[(6)] (9) If practicable, as determined by the commission by rule each qualified entity shall spend at least one percent of the amount received each year under subsection [(1)/(a)] (2)(a) of this section to implement programs to provide student transit services for students in grades 9 through 12.

[(7)] (10) After the commission makes a distribution under subsection [(1)] (2) of this section, qualified entities may enter into intergovernmental agreements under ORS chapter 190 to combine the moneys received for public transportation improvements.

[(8)] (11) If the commission rejects a public transportation improvement plan or a grant application submitted under this section, the commission shall notify the entity or provider in writing and state the reasons for the rejection.

[(9)] (12) The Department of Transportation shall make all grant applications submitted under this section available to the public.

SECTION 43. ORS 184.761 is amended to read:

184.761. (1) The governing body of each qualified entity shall appoint an advisory committee to advise and assist the governing body in prioritizing plans or projects to be funded from the moneys received from a percentage distribution under ORS 184.758 to public transportation service providers that provide services within the jurisdiction of the qualified entity.

(2) Before receiving funding for a project under ORS 184.758 (2)(a), a public transportation service provider that provides services within the jurisdiction of a qualified entity shall submit a plan or project proposal to the governing body of the qualified entity and receive the advisory committee's approval of the plan or project proposal. The plans or project proposals submitted under this subsection must describe how the funds would be used. **Client-only projects, as defined by the Oregon Transportation Commission by rule, may be eligible for consideration if the project is part of a planned and coordinated community transportation program.**

(3) An advisory committee appointed under this section shall review every plan or project proposal required under subsection (2) of this section and may propose any changes to the policies or practices of the governing body relating to the distribution of funding under ORS 184.758 (2)(a) and that the advisory committee considers necessary to ensure that:

(a) A public transportation service provider that has received funding under ORS 184.758 (2)(a) has applied the moneys received in accordance with and for the purposes described in the provider's plan or project proposal; and

(b) A plan or project proposal submitted by a public transportation service provider does not fragment the provision of public transportation services.

(4) The Oregon Transportation Commission shall adopt by rule:

(a) Requirements for the composition of an advisory committee appointed under this section;

(b) Criteria that must be included in a plan or project proposal required under subsection (2) of this section; and

(c) A process by which an advisory committee shall review and approve a plan or project proposal.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, the governing bodies of two or more qualified entities may appoint advisory committee members to a joint advisory committee under conditions determined by the commission by rule.

SECTION 44. ORS 184.766 is amended to read:
Every qualified entity that receives a percentage distribution under ORS 184.758 shall submit the following to the Department of Transportation:

[(1)] (a) No later than 60 days after the end of the fiscal year, a report on any actions taken by a public transportation service provider located within the area of a qualified entity to mitigate the impact of the tax imposed under ORS 320.550 on passengers who reside in low-income communities;

[(2)] (b) No later than 30 days after adoption, the annual budget for the upcoming fiscal year; and

[(3)] (c) No later than 30 days after receipt of the final results of any audits of the qualified entity or of a public transportation service provider located within the area of the qualified entity as required by a local, state or federal oversight agency for purposes of statewide reporting, the final results including, but not limited to:

[(a)] (A) The state financial report required under ORS 291.040;

[(b)] (B) The results of any comprehensive review completed by the Federal Transit Administration or the department; [and]

[(c)] (C) Any information submitted by the qualified entity as a part of the requirements of a statewide audit in accordance with the federal Single Audit Act of 1984 (31 U.S.C. 7501 to 7507), as amended by the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 (P.L. 104-156); and

(D) Any quarterly reports that detail project progress, outcomes achieved and the expenditure of funds described under ORS 184.758 (2)(a).

(2) The Oregon Transportation Commission shall establish rules concerning the making of agreements for the distributions made to qualified entities under ORS 184.758. Each agreement must include a condition that requires a qualified entity to repay, in full, distributions paid to the qualified entity, if the commission determines that the recipient has failed to meet any terms or conditions of the agreement.

SECTION 45. The amendments to ORS 184.766 by section 44 of this 2020 Act apply to distributions made on or after the effective date of this 2020 Act.

(Conforming amendments)

SECTION 46. ORS 184.642 is amended to read:

184.642. (1) The Department of Transportation Operating Fund is established in the State Treasury separate and distinct from the General Fund and separate and distinct from the State Highway Fund. Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3)(e) of this section, moneys in the Department of Transportation Operating Fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation to pay expenses of the department that are incurred in the performance of functions the department is statutorily required or authorized to perform and that may not constitutionally be paid from revenues described in section 3a, Article IX of the Oregon Constitution.

(2) The operating fund shall consist of the following:

(a) Taxes paid on motor vehicle fuels or on the use of fuel in a motor vehicle for which a person is entitled to a refund under a provision described in this paragraph but for which no refund is claimed, in amounts determined under ORS 184.643. This paragraph applies to refund entitlements described in ORS 319.280 (1)(a) and (e), 319.320 (1)(a) and 319.831 (1)(b).

(b) Fees collected under ORS 822.700 for issuance or renewal of:

(A) Dismantler certificates;
(B) Vehicle dealer certificates;
(C) Show licenses;
(D) Vehicle transporter certificates;
(E) Driver training instructor certificates;
(F) Commercial driver training school certificates; and
(G) Vehicle appraiser certificates.

c) Late fees collected under ORS 822.700.
d) Fees collected under ORS 822.705.
e) Moneys from civil penalties imposed under ORS 822.009.
f) Fees collected under ORS 807.410 for identification cards.
g) Fees collected by the department for issuance of permits to engage in activities described in ORS 374.302 to 374.334 that are not directly connected to the construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation and use of a public highway, road, street or roadside rest area.
h) Fees collected under ORS 835.017 for services provided to the Oregon Department of Aviation.
i) Interest and other earnings on moneys in the operating fund.

(3) Moneys in the Department of Transportation Operating Fund established by subsections (1) and (2) of this section may be spent only as follows:

(a) Taxes described in subsection (2)(a) of this section may be used only for payment of expenses of the Department of Transportation that:
(A) May not constitutionally be paid from revenues described in section 3a, Article IX of the Oregon Constitution;
(B) Are incurred in the performance of functions the department is statutorily required or authorized to perform; and
(C) Are not payable from moneys described in paragraphs (b) to (e) of this subsection.

(b) Fees collected under subsection (2)(b) of this section may be used only to carry out the regulatory functions of the department relating to the businesses that generate the fees.

(c) Fees collected under ORS 822.705 may be used only for the purposes described in ORS 822.705.

(d) Moneys collected from civil penalties imposed under ORS 822.009 may be used only for regulation of vehicle dealers.

(e) Moneys collected under ORS 807.410 from fees for identification cards shall be used first to pay the expenses of the department for performing the functions of the department relating to identification cards. After paying the expenses related to identification cards, the department shall transfer the remaining moneys collected under ORS 807.410 to the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established in ORS 391.800] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established in ORS 184.751.

(f) Moneys from the permits described in subsection (2)(g) of this section may be used for costs of issuing the permits and monitoring the activities that generate the fees.

(g) Moneys from interest and other earnings on moneys in the operating fund may be used for any purpose for which other moneys in the fund may be used.

SECTION 47. ORS 323.455 is amended to read:

323.455. (1) All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS 323.030 (1) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established.
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under ORS 293.445. The department may pay expenses for administration and enforcement of ORS
323.005 to 323.482 out of moneys received from the tax imposed under ORS 323.030 (1). Amounts
necessary to pay administrative and enforcement expenses are continuously appropriated to the de-
partment from the suspense account. After the payment of administrative and enforcement expenses
and refunds, 89.65 percent shall be credited to the General Fund, 3.45 percent is appropriated to the
cities of this state, 3.45 percent is appropriated to the counties of this state and 3.45 percent is
continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of financing and
improving transportation services for [elderly individuals] older adults and individuals with disa-
bilities [as provided in ORS 391.800 to 391.830].

(2) The moneys appropriated to cities and counties under subsection (1) of this section shall be
paid on a monthly basis within 35 days after the end of the month for which a distribution is made.
Each city shall receive such share of the money appropriated to all cities as its population, as de-
termined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the total popu-
lation of the cities of the state, and each county shall receive such share of the money as its
population, determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the
total population of the state.

(3) The moneys appropriated to the Department of Transportation under subsection (1) of this
section shall be distributed and transferred to the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund
established by ORS 391.800] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established in ORS
184.751 at the same time as the cigarette tax moneys are distributed to cities and counties under
this section.

(4) Of the moneys credited to the General Fund under subsection (1) of this section, 51.92 per-
cent shall be dedicated to funding the maintenance and expansion of the number of persons eligible
for the medical assistance program under ORS chapter 414, or to funding the maintenance of the
benefits available under the program, or both, and 5.77 percent shall be credited to the Tobacco Use
Reduction Account established under ORS 431A.153.

(5) All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS 323.030 (4)
shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS
293.445. After the payment of refunds, the balance shall be credited to the Oregon Health Authority
Fund established by ORS 413.101 and shall be used to provide the services described in ORS 430.630.

SECTION 48. If chapter 525, Oregon Laws 2019 (IRR 402), is approved by the voters at the
general election held throughout this state on November 3, 2020, ORS 323.455, as amended by sec-
tion 4, chapter 525, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

323.455. (1) All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS
323.030 (1) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established
under ORS 293.445. The department may pay expenses for administration and enforcement of ORS
323.005 to 323.482 out of moneys received from the tax imposed under ORS 323.030 (1), after all
amounts available under section 3, chapter 525, Oregon Laws 2019, for expenses for administration
and enforcement of ORS 323.005 to 323.482 have been used. Amounts necessary to pay administrative
and enforcement expenses are continuously appropriated to the department from the suspense ac-
count. After the payment of administrative and enforcement expenses and refunds, 89.65 percent
shall be credited to the General Fund, 3.45 percent is appropriated to the cities of this state, 3.45
percent is appropriated to the counties of this state and 3.45 percent is continuously appropriated
to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of financing and improving transportation ser-
ices for [elderly individuals] older adults and individuals with disabilities [as provided in ORS
2. The moneys appropriated to cities and counties under subsection (1) of this section shall be paid on a monthly basis within 35 days after the end of the month for which a distribution is made. Each city shall receive such share of the money appropriated to all cities as its population, as determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the total population of the cities of the state, and each county shall receive such share of the money as its population, determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the total population of the state.

3. The moneys appropriated to the Department of Transportation under subsection (1) of this section shall be distributed and transferred to the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established by ORS 391.800] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established in ORS 184.751 at the same time as the cigarette tax moneys are distributed to cities and counties under this section.

4. Of the moneys credited to the General Fund under subsection (1) of this section, 51.92 percent shall be dedicated to funding the maintenance and expansion of the number of persons eligible for the medical assistance program under ORS chapter 414, or to funding the maintenance of the benefits available under the program, or both, and 5.77 percent shall be credited to the Tobacco Use Reduction Account established under ORS 431A.153.

5. All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS 323.030 (4) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After the payment of refunds, the balance shall be credited to the Oregon Health Authority Fund established by ORS 413.101 and shall be used to provide the services described in ORS 430.630.

SECTION 49. ORS 323.457 is amended to read:

1. Moneys received under ORS 323.031 shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After the payment of refunds:
   (a) 29.37/30 of the moneys shall be credited to the Oregon Health Plan Fund established under ORS 414.109;
   (b) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the cities of this state;
   (c) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the counties of this state;
   (d) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation to be distributed and transferred to the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established under ORS 391.800] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established in ORS 184.751; and
   (e) 0.21/30 of the moneys shall be credited to the Tobacco Use Reduction Account established under ORS 431A.153.

2. (a) Moneys distributed to cities and counties under this section shall be distributed to each city or county using the proportions used for distributions made under ORS 323.455.
   (b) Moneys shall be distributed to cities, counties and the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund at the same time moneys are distributed to cities, counties and the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund under ORS 323.455.

SECTION 50. If chapter 525, Oregon Laws 2019 (IRR 402), is approved by the voters at the general election held throughout this state on November 3, 2020, ORS 323.457, as amended by sec-
tion 5, chapter 525, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

323.457. (1) Moneys received under ORS 323.031 (1) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After the payment of refunds:
   (a) 29.37/30 of the moneys shall be credited to the Oregon Health Authority Fund established under ORS 413.101;
   (b) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the cities of this state;
   (c) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services for distribution to the counties of this state;
   (d) 0.14/30 of the moneys are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation to be distributed and transferred to the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established under ORS 391.800] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund established in ORS 184.751; and
   (e) 0.21/30 of the moneys shall be credited to the Tobacco Use Reduction Account established under ORS 431A.153.
(2)(a) Moneys distributed to cities and counties under this section shall be distributed to each city or county using the proportions used for distributions made under ORS 323.455.
   (b) Moneys shall be distributed to cities, counties and the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund at the same time moneys are distributed to cities, counties and the [Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund] Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund under ORS 323.455.

SECTION 51. ORS 184.675 is amended to read:

184.675. As used in ORS 184.670 to 184.733, unless the context requires otherwise:
(1) “Director” means Director of Transportation.
(2) “Department” means the Department of Transportation.
(3) “Indian tribe” means a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon that has members residing on a reservation or tribal trust lands in Oregon.
[(3)] (4) “Operating agreement” means an agreement for the operation or maintenance on behalf of the Department of Transportation of all or part of a public transportation system, but does not include agreements by which the department provides only financial or technical assistance or transportation facilities or equipment and which do not control routes, rates or levels of service, or agreements under which such control is exercised by the federal government through the department.
[(4)] (5) “Public transportation system” means any form of passenger transportation system, whether or not for hire, including but not limited to air, rail, other fixed guideway, bus, jitney, taxi and dial-a-ride passenger transportation systems within, between and outside of urban and urbanized areas, and including related passenger terminal facilities and motor vehicle parking facilities.
[(5)] (6) “Person” means the United States or any state or any department or agency of any of the above, or any nonprofit corporation or entity or any other individual, corporation or entity, either public or private.
[(6) “Bus” means a motor vehicle designed for carrying 15 or more passengers, exclusive of the driver, and used for the transportation of persons.]
(7) “Public transportation entity” includes a city, county, transportation district, mass transit district, metropolitan service district, Indian tribe [as defined in ORS 391.802] or private nonprofit corporation operating a public transportation system.
SECTION 52. ORS 293.701 is amended to read:

293.701. As used in ORS 293.701 to 293.857, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) “Council” means the Oregon Investment Council.

(2) “Investment funds” means:
   (a) Public Employees Retirement Fund referred to in ORS 238.660;
   (b) Industrial Accident Fund referred to in ORS 656.632;
   (c) Consumer and Business Services Fund referred to in ORS 705.145;
   (d) Employment Department Special Administrative Fund referred to in ORS 657.822;
   (e) Insurance Fund referred to in ORS 278.425;
   (f) Funds under the control and administration of the Department of State Lands;
   (g) Oregon Student Assistance Fund referred to in ORS 348.570;
   (h) Moneys made available to the Commission for the Blind under ORS 346.270 and 346.569 or rules adopted thereunder;
   (i) Forest Development Revenue Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.147 and State Forestry General Obligation Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.280;
   (j) Oregon War Veterans’ Fund referred to in ORS 407.495;
   (k) Oregon War Veterans’ Bond Sinking Account referred to in ORS 407.515;
   (L) World War II Veterans’ Compensation Fund;
   (m) World War II Veterans’ Bond Sinking Fund;
   (n) Funds in the hands of the State Treasurer that are not required to meet current demands and that are invested in the Oregon Short Term Fund established under ORS 293.728 or in another commingled investment vehicle;
   (o) State funds that are not subject to the control and administration of officers or bodies specifically designated by law;
   (p) Funds derived from the sale of state bonds;
   (q) Social Security Revolving Account referred to in ORS 237.490;
   (r) Public University Fund established by ORS 352.450;
   (s) Local Government Employer Benefit Trust Fund referred to in ORS 657.513;
   [(t) Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established by ORS 391.800;]
   [(u)] (t) Education Stability Fund established by ORS 348.696;
   [(v)] (u) Deferred Compensation Fund established under ORS 243.411;
   [(w)] (v) Trust for Cultural Development Account established under ORS 359.405; and
   [(x)] (w) The State Library Donation Fund and the Talking Book and Braille Library Endowment Fund subaccount established under ORS 357.195.

(3) “Investment officer” means the State Treasurer in the capacity as investment officer for the council.

SECTION 53. ORS 293.701, as amended by section 64, chapter 678, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

293.701. As used in ORS 293.701 to 293.857, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) “Council” means the Oregon Investment Council.

(2) “Investment funds” means:
   (a) Public Employees Retirement Fund referred to in ORS 238.660;
   (b) Industrial Accident Fund referred to in ORS 656.632;
   (c) Consumer and Business Services Fund referred to in ORS 705.145;
   (d) Employment Department Special Administrative Fund referred to in ORS 657.822;
(e) Insurance Fund referred to in ORS 278.425;
(f) Funds under the control and administration of the Department of State Lands;
(g) Oregon Student Assistance Fund referred to in ORS 348.570;
(h) Moneys made available to the Commission for the Blind under ORS 346.270 and 346.569 or
rules adopted thereunder;
(i) Forest Development Revenue Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.147 and State Forestry
General Obligation Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.280;
(j) Oregon War Veterans’ Fund referred to in ORS 407.495;
(k) Oregon War Veterans’ Bond Sinking Account referred to in ORS 407.515;
(L) World War II Veterans’ Compensation Fund;
(m) World War II Veterans’ Bond Sinking Fund;
(n) Funds in the hands of the State Treasurer that are not required to meet current demands
and that are invested in the Oregon Short Term Fund established under ORS 293.728 or in another
commingled investment vehicle;
(o) State funds that are not subject to the control and administration of officers or bodies spe-
cifically designated by law;
(p) Funds derived from the sale of state bonds;
(q) Social Security Revolving Account referred to in ORS 237.490;
(r) Public University Fund established by ORS 352.450;
(s) Local Government Employer Benefit Trust Fund referred to in ORS 657.513;
[(t) Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established by ORS 391.800;]
[(ui) (t) Education Stability Fund established by ORS 348.696;
[(uo) (u) Deferred Compensation Fund established under ORS 243.411;
[(uw) (v) Trust for Cultural Development Account established under ORS 359.405;
[(xz) (w) The State Library Donation Fund and the Talking Book and Braille Library Endowment
Fund subaccount established under ORS 357.195;
[(yx) (x) Funds in the Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund created in ORS 98.388; and
[(yz) (y) Funds in the Common School Fund that are available for investment.
(3) “Investment officer” means the State Treasurer in the capacity as investment officer for the
section.
SECTION 54. ORS 541.561 is amended to read:
541.561. (1) The Water Resources Department shall establish a grant program to pay the quali-
fying costs of planning studies performed to evaluate the feasibility of developing a water conserv-
ervation, reuse or storage project, as described in ORS 541.566. A grant under this section may be
made to a local government as defined in ORS 174.116, [to an Indian tribe as defined in ORS
391.802] a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon that has members residing on a reserva-
tion or tribal trust lands in Oregon or to a person.
(2) In lieu of grants, the department may pay the cost of providing direct services, including but
not limited to technical planning services, for a planning study that is eligible for a grant under this
section.
(3) A grant or the cost of direct services provided under this section may not exceed $500,000
per project. A grant or payment for direct services may be provided only if the amount of the grant
or the cost of the direct services is matched by funding from another source that is not less than
a dollar-for-dollar match of the amount or cost.
(4) Grants and the cost of direct services provided under this section must be paid for from
moneys available in the Water Conservation, Reuse and Storage Investment Fund.

(5)(a) In evaluating above ground storage projects for awards of grants or payments for direct services under this section, the department shall give priority to projects that include provisions for using stored water to augment in-stream flows to conserve, maintain and enhance aquatic life, fish life or other ecological values.

(b) In evaluating all other eligible projects, the department shall give priority to projects identified by the department in a statewide water assessment and inventory for the award of grants or provision of payment for direct services under this section.

SECTION 55. ORS 541.659 is amended to read:

541.659. Loans and grants may be made from the Water Supply Development Account to persons as defined in ORS 536.007, [Indian tribes as defined in ORS 391.802] a federally recognized Indian tribe in Oregon that has members residing on a reservation or tribal trust lands in Oregon and nonprofit organizations. If an applicant is required to have a water management and conservation plan, the plan must be submitted to the Water Resources Department and receive approval prior to department acceptance of an application for a loan or grant from the account.

CAPTIONS

SECTION 56. The unit captions used in this 2020 Act are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the enactment of this 2020 Act.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

SECTION 57. This 2020 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2020 Act takes effect on its passage.