SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Directs Department of Environmental Quality to study and develop strategies to fund department’s emergency response program. Directs department to provide update on progress of study to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to environment no later than January 15, 2022. Directs department to provide final report on study and recommendations for legislation to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to environment no later than June 15, 2022. Sunsets January 2, 2023. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to emergency response program funding; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1)(a) The Department of Environmental Quality shall study and develop funding strategies to support the department’s emergency response program.

(b) In conducting the study, the department may consult and conduct facilitated discussions with stakeholders, including but not limited to:

(A) State government agencies;

(B) Federal government agencies;

(C) Local government agencies;

(D) Federally recognized Indian tribes; and

(E) State and local government agencies in the States of California and Washington.

(2) No later than January 15, 2022, the department shall provide an update on the progress of the study in a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment provided under ORS 192.245.

(3) No later than June 15, 2022, the department shall provide the results of the study in a final report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment in the manner provided under ORS 192.245. The report must make recommendations for legislation supported by the findings and conclusions of the study.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2023.

SECTION 3. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.