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On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after "programs;" delete the rest of the line and insert "and 1 2 declaring an emergency.". 3 Delete lines 3 through 9 and insert: 4 "Whereas federal funding and grant opportunities offer critical support for state programs, with $\mathbf{5}$ some states receiving greater support than others; and 6 "Whereas the State of Oregon's percentage share of federal investment in certain program areas, such as water infrastructure, saw declines in recent decades; and 7 "Whereas improved coordination and technical support can help maximize Oregon's 8 9 competitiveness and access to federal resources, including resources for local communities that lack 10 capacity or experience underinvestment; now, therefore,". 11 Delete lines 11 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert: "SECTION 1. (1) The Department of Transportation shall establish a program to provide 1213 administrative and technical assistance to any state agency, local government or community 14 organization in this state for activities related to federal funding opportunities that support 15natural resource related priorities, programs or projects. 16 (2) Subject to the availability of funds appropriated therefor, the program shall provide 17 the following kinds of assistance to state agencies, local governments and community or-18 ganizations in this state: 19 "(a) Identifying, researching and raising awareness among state agencies and local com-20 munities about relevant federal funding opportunities; 21(b) Providing technical assistance, guidance or training as requested to help with appli-22cation for and compliance with relevant federal funding opportunities for state, local or other 23 entities: 24"(c) Identifying opportunities to build knowledge and capacity around relevant federal 25funding opportunities within communities that have experienced underinvestment and across 26a diversity of stakeholders that interact with Oregon's natural resource policies and pro-27grams; 28"(d) Supporting interagency coordination of the state's relevant federal funding needs and 29requests; "(e) Identifying gaps in state agency knowledge and capacity around relevant federal 30 31 funding opportunities and coordinating with state agencies to develop capacity to address 32identified gaps; and 33 "(f) Identifying availability of nonfederal matching resources necessary to qualify for 34 relevant federal funding opportunities. 35"(3) As used in this section, 'local government' has the meaning given that term in ORS

1 **174.116.**

2 "<u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2022 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
3 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2022 Act takes effect
4 on its passage.".

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