

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4068

Relating to emergency preparedness

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Evans

HB 4068 has several provisions around emergency preparedness, including: requirements for emergency response exercises; transferring the Oregon Homeland Security Council from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Emergency Management; and directing the Council to develop a plan for an emergency stockpile program, with reporting requirements to the Legislature on the plan in the 2023 session.

The -A6 amendment includes funding for a position at the Department of Emergency Management, Department of Environmental Quality, and Department of Corrections to oversee the emergency response exercises for their respective agencies. Additionally, the Governor's Office will transfer a position it received to support the Homeland Security Council in HB 2927 (2021) to the Department of Emergency Management. These sections of the measure are effective July 1, 2022.

Finally, a position is added to the Oregon Military Department to assist in the development of the stockpile plan, which is effective on passage of the bill. The funding and position authority will then transfer to the Department of Emergency Management on July 1, 2022.

The total fiscal impact of this measure is \$585,447 General Fund in the 2021-23 biennium.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4068 be amended by the -A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.