SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 5017 Department of Emergency Management

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Evans

HB 5017 is the budget bill for the Department of Emergency Management.

The Subcommittee approved a total budget of \$1.3 billion, of which \$26.8 million is General Fund, with 130 positions and 124.40 FTE. The budget is a 2.4% increase in total funds and a 22.2% increase in General Fund from the current service level.

The budget includes funding to complete the construction of the Emergency Coordination Center and dedicated staff to operationalize the Coordination Center. Staffing is also provided for the statutory transfer of the Oregon Emergency Response System from Oregon State Police on July 1, 2025.

Further investments include two regional coordinator positions to provide technical assistance to local entities; additional positions to address internal infrastructure gaps in the establishment of the new agency; and positions for increased oversight and monitoring of federal recovery program grants. Finally, the budget includes carryover of one-time funding provided for hazard mitigation grants and for disaster funding provided by the September 2022 Emergency Board.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 5017 be amended by the -1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.