SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 3059 Relating to emergency management

To: Ways and Means Full Committee

From: Public Safety Subcommittee

Carrier: Representative Lewis

HB 3059 includes several components related to emergency preparedness, response, and recovery.

The measure establishes the Oregon Disaster Response Assistance Matching Fund for the Department of Emergency Management to provide grants to local governments to be used as match of federal disaster aid. It directs the Legislative Revenue Office to conduct a study on tax benefits to emergency management volunteers; clarifies volunteer paid leave around disaster relief or recovery; and directs the Department of Emergency Management to provide technical assistance to local entities for several emergency-related functions.

Additionally, the measure directs the Department to identify existing community organizations active in disasters and provide grants for their support, and finally the measure establishes a Compliance Division within the Department relating to federal monies received.

The -A3 amendment includes \$1 million of one-time General Fund for deposit into the Assistance Matching Fund, with a corresponding Other Funds limitation to expend those funds. It also includes \$1,268,856 General Fund for the establishment of five permanent full-time positions, four positions for the Compliance Division, and one for the grant program.

