A-Bill for an Act

Relating to airport infrastructure resilience; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Department of Aviation shall conduct a study developing a plan for strategic investment for airports in this state.

(2) In conducting the study, the department shall consult the following stakeholders:

(a) The State Resilience Officer;

(b) The Oregon Department of Emergency Management;

(c) The Department of Transportation; and

(d) The Oregon Airport Management Association.

(3) The plan for strategic investment developed under this section must include, but need not be limited to, the following components:

(a) Development of a tiered system of designation of the following categories for airports of geographic or functional significance:

(A) Tier 1 facilities that can be, and should be, prepared for providing event assistance, limited response support and immediate post-event flight activities.

(B) Tier 2 facilities that can be, and should be, prepared for providing event assistance, limited response support and return to flight activities within one month post-event.

(C) Tier 3 facilities that can be, and should be, prepared for providing event assistance, including limited response support, and return to flight activities within three months post-event.

(D) Special function facilities as outlined in state plans related to resilience.

(b) Priorities for preplacement of standardized critical equipment and a process for standardization of equipment.

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.

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(c) Identification of potential partnerships for mission-specific activities in support of Oregon’s statewide resilience posture. 

(d) Identification of baseline equipment for designated response and recovery facilities, including at least the following:

(A) Generators.

(B) Resilient fuel distribution and storage.

(C) Shelters.

(D) Communications equipment.

(E) Potable water and sanitation facilities.

(4) The Oregon Department of Aviation shall submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, and may include recommendations for legislation, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to transportation no later than January 1, 2024.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2024.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.