

House Bill 3462

Sponsored by Representative HARTMAN

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Requires Oregon Department of Emergency Management, during certain emergencies, to prioritize immediate provision of housing to displaced individuals.

If federal housing resources are made available to affected community, requires department to provide housing resources to community members who are ineligible to receive federal resources due to immigration status.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to housing; amending ORS 401.185; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 401.185 is amended to read:

5 401.185. Whenever the Governor has declared a state of emergency or the President of the
6 United States has declared an emergency or a major disaster to exist in this state[,]:

7 (1) The Governor, [*with the concurrence of*] **after notification to** the Joint Committee on Ways
8 and Means or the Emergency Board, if the Legislative Assembly is not in session, is authorized:

9 [(1)] (a) To enter into purchase, lease or other arrangements with any agency of the United
10 States for temporary housing units to be occupied by disaster victims and to make the units avail-
11 able to local governments of the state.

12 [(2)] (b) To assist any local government of this state which requires temporary housing for dis-
13 aster victims following the declaration of a state of emergency to acquire and prepare a site to re-
14 ceive and utilize temporary housing units by:

15 [(a)] (A) Advancing or lending funds available to the Governor from any appropriation made by
16 the Legislative Assembly or from any other source; and

17 [(b)] (B) Passing through funds made available by any public or private agency.

18 (2)(a) **The Oregon Department of Emergency Management shall prioritize, in its response**
19 **to the emergency or major disaster, the immediate provision of safe housing to displaced**
20 **individuals. The provision of such housing must comply with state and federal law relating**
21 **to housing discrimination.**

22 (b) **If federal housing resources are made available to an affected community, and mem-**
23 **bers of the community are ineligible for such resources due to immigration status, the de-**
24 **partment shall provide equivalent resources to those community members.**

25 **SECTION 2. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
26 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect**
27 **on its passage.**

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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.