Requested by Representative EVANS

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3059

In line 2 of the printed bill, before the period insert "; creating new provisions; amending ORS 401.378; and declaring an emergency".

Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:

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"OREGON DISASTER RESPONSE ASSISTANCE MATCHING FUND

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"SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Disaster Response Assistance Matching Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The Oregon Disaster Response Assistance Matching Fund consists of moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise. Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management for the purposes specified in subsections (2) and (3) of this section.

- "(2) When the receipt of federal grants or other federal aid related to disaster response is conditioned on the contribution of matching funds by the recipient, the department may provide grants from the fund to local governments to be used to contribute such matching funds.
- 20 "(3) The department may provide grants from the fund to local 21 governments in order to assist or support disaster response efforts.

- "(4) The department may adopt rules necessary for the administration of this section.
- "(5) As used in this section, 'local government' has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.116.

"VOLUNTEER TAX BENEFITS

"SECTION 2. The Legislative Revenue Officer shall conduct a study of potential means of granting a tax benefit to emergency management volunteers. Not later than September 15, 2024, the officer shall submit a report of the findings of the study, in the manner provided by ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue, and may include recommendations for legislation in the report.

"SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.

"OREGON DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COM-PLIANCE DIVISION

"SECTION 4. (1) There is established the Compliance Division as an administrative division of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management. The Director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management shall appoint a compliance officer to lead the division. The compliance officer serves at the pleasure of and at the direction of the director. The director may appoint additional staff to the division as the director deems necessary for the division to carry out its duties.

- **"(2) The Compliance Division shall:**
- "(a) Ensure that the department is in compliance with requirements

- and regulations relating to moneys received from the federal government, including ensuring compliance by grantees or subgrantees;
 - "(b) Prepare and maintain documentation related to compliance;
 - "(c) Establish monitoring and reporting requirements as necessary to ensure compliance;
 - "(d) Identify compliance risks and direct and supervise corrective actions to mitigate such risks; and
 - "(e) Serve as liaison between the department and federal officials.
 - "(3) Public bodies, as defined in ORS 174.109, shall promptly provide to the Compliance Division any books, records or other documentation that the division determines to be necessary to carry out its duties.

"VOLUNTEER PAID LEAVE

"SECTION 5. ORS 401.378 is amended to read:

"401.378. [(1)] State agencies and political subdivisions described in ORS 243.325 (2) to (6) may grant leaves of absence to any public employee who [is a certified disaster services volunteer of the American Red Cross] volunteers to participate in disaster relief or recovery services in the State of Oregon. Cumulative leave granted shall not exceed 15 work days in any 12-month period. Such leave granted shall not result in a loss of compensation, seniority, vacation time, sick leave or accrued overtime for which the employee is otherwise eligible. Compensation to an employee granted leave under this section shall be at the employee's regular rate of pay for those regular work hours during which the employee is absent from work.

"[(2) As used in this section, 'disaster' means those disasters designated at level II and above by the American Red Cross.]

"SUPPORT TO LOCAL ENTITIES

- "SECTION 6. (1) The Oregon Department of Emergency Manage-
- 2 ment shall provide technical assistance, as described in subsection (2)
- 3 of this section, to local entities, whether public or private, that are
- 4 active in emergency preparedness, response or recovery in Oregon,
- 5 including:
- 6 "(a) County, city and tribal emergency management agencies;
- 7 "(b) Community organizations active in disaster;
- 8 "(c) Long-term recovery groups; and
- 9 "(d) Disaster mitigation and recovery managers.
- "(2) Technical assistance provided under this section may include,
 without limitation, assistance with:
- 12 "(a) Fundraising or grant writing;
- 13 "(b) Incorporation or other organization;
- "(c) Navigating political relationships;
- "(d) Interacting with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, including ensuring proper form and content of paperwork submitted to the agency;
- 18 "(e) Culturally specific outreach; and
- 19 "(f) Branding.
- 20 "(3) The department may contract with third parties to carry out 21 its duties under this section.
- 22 "(4) The department shall adopt rules necessary for the adminis-23 tration of this section.
- "SECTION 7. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Emergency
 Management, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the
 General Fund, the amount of \$___ to carry out its duties under section
 of this 2023 Act.
- 29 "SECTION 8. (1) As used in this section, 'long-term recovery 30 group' means a cooperative organization comprising representatives

- of nonprofit, governmental, business and faith-based entities that 1 works within a local community to prepare for, build resilience against 2 and recover from emergencies by performing functions including any 3 of the following: 4
- "(a) Providing local coordination of federal or state support; 5
- "(b) Serving as a primary local disaster recovery organization; 6
- "(c) Assessing local needs following disaster and determining locally 7 informed plans for action; 8
- "(d) Facilitating communication with local communities, including 9 vulnerable populations;
 - "(e) Leveraging philanthropic and other private funding and coordinating with philanthropic entities;
 - "(f) Facilitating disaster case management, including providing a central hub for allocating resources for unmet needs; and
 - "(g) Providing emergency-related services and supports to the local community.
- "(2) The Oregon Department of Emergency Management shall 17 identify existing long-term recovery groups in Oregon and provide grants for their support. The department shall execute grant agree-19 ments with grant recipients obligating recipients to use grant moneys 20 for purposes specified by the department. The department shall deter-21 mine the permissible purposes for a grant under this section based on 22 the needs of the long-term recovery group and the locality in which 23 it operates. 24
- "(3) The department shall adopt rules necessary for the adminis-25 tration of this section. 26
- "SECTION 9. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-27 ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Emergency 28 Management, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the 29 General Fund, the amount of \$___ to carry out its duties under section 30

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3	"UNIT CAPTIONS
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5	"SECTION 10. The unit captions used in this 2023 Act are provided
6	only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the
7	statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the
8	enactment of this 2023 Act.
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10	"EMERGENCY CLAUSE
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12	"SECTION 11. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate
13	preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is
14	declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.".