

Requested by Representative OWENS

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 3321**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 30 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-**
4 **ation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administra-**
5 **tive Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the**
6 **General Fund, the amount of \$2,500,000, for purposes of implementing**
7 **section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

8 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services**
9 **shall enter into a contract with the Oregon Association of Water**
10 **Utilities to implement this section. The contract must include, but**
11 **need not be limited to, a provision requiring the association to:**

12 **“(a) Perform, or enter into a contract with a third party to perform,**
13 **a study of the needs and vulnerabilities of small and very small com-**
14 **munity water systems, including but not limited to the following top-**
15 **ics:**

16 **“(A) Water supply reliability.**

17 **“(B) Source and treated water quality.**

18 **“(C) Utility board and operations management.**

19 **“(D) Infrastructure.**

20 **“(E) Droughts, floods and earthquakes.**

21 **“(F) Funding, financial stability and water rates.**

1 **“(G) Regulations and safe drinking water standards.**

2 **“(H) Opportunities for emergency interties, system consolidation**
3 **and regionalization.**

4 **“(b) Design and construct a water utility training center to provide**
5 **technical, financial and managerial support and resources to individ-**
6 **uals, including support and resources related to:**

7 **“(A) Water supply reliability.**

8 **“(B) Source and treated water quality.**

9 **“(C) Utility board and operations management.**

10 **“(D) Infrastructure.**

11 **“(E) Droughts, floods and earthquakes.**

12 **“(F) Funding, financial stability and water rates.**

13 **“(G) Regulations and safe drinking water standards.**

14 **“(H) Applying for and managing funds associated with state and**
15 **federal funding programs.**

16 **“(I) Assessing and supporting opportunities for emergency interties,**
17 **system consolidation and regionalization.**

18 **“(c) Hire and employ one training specialist and two technical as-**
19 **sistance providers to provide support and resources to address the**
20 **needs and vulnerabilities of small and very small community water**
21 **systems in this state.**

22 **“(d) Consult with the Oregon Health Authority, the Department of**
23 **Environmental Quality, the Water Resources Department, county en-**
24 **vironmental health departments and county emergency managers in**
25 **designing the parameters of the study described in paragraph (a) of**
26 **this subsection.**

27 **“(e) Submit a report in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 to the**
28 **interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to water no**
29 **later than December 31, 2024.**

30 **“(2) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall dis-**

1 **tribute moneys to the Oregon Association of Water Utilities for the**
2 **purposes of carrying out subsection (1) of this section.**

3 **“(3) The Oregon Health Authority, the Department of Environ-**
4 **mental Quality and the Water Resources Department shall cooperate**
5 **with the Oregon Association of Water Utilities, and provide to the**
6 **association any data or information requested by the association, in**
7 **implementing this section.**

8 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2,**
9 **2025.”.**

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