

Requested by Representative BYNUM

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2023**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “sports” insert “; and declaring an
2 emergency”.

3 Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:

4 **“SECTION 1. There is appropriated to the Oregon Tourism Com-
5 mission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General
6 Fund, the amount of \$2,500,000 for the purpose of carrying out the
7 provisions of section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

8 **“SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:**

9 **“(a) ‘Local government body’ means a local government as defined
10 in ORS 174.116 or a special government body as defined in ORS 174.117.**

11 **“(b) ‘Youth sporting event’ means any kind of sporting event for
12 participants most of whom are under the age of 25.**

13 **“(2)(a) The Oregon Tourism Commission shall develop and admin-
14 ister a program for awarding grants to local government bodies to help
15 fund youth sporting events using moneys appropriated under section
16 1 of this 2023 Act.**

17 **“(b) To be eligible for a grant, a local government body must, at the
18 time of application:**

19 **“(A) Be able to provide funding or other resources of its own; or**

20 **“(B) Have secured other funding, in-kind donations or other re-
21 sources from any other public or private, nonprofit or for-profit,**

1 **source.**

2 **“(c) A grant may not be awarded to any local government body in**
3 **an amount greater than \$100,000.**

4 **“(3)(a) The commission shall prescribe an application process, in-**
5 **cluding forms and deadlines, by which a local government body may**
6 **apply for a grant under this section.**

7 **“(b) At a minimum, the application form must require the applicant**
8 **to:**

9 **“(A) Describe the nature of the sporting event for which a grant is**
10 **sought;**

11 **“(B) State the age range of the participants;**

12 **“(C) Set forth the source and amount of the funding described in**
13 **subsection (2)(b) of this section;**

14 **“(D) Describe the potential impact of the youth sporting event on**
15 **youth sports in the local community;**

16 **“(E) State the potential economic impact on local communities,**
17 **including, but not limited to, any increase in tourism or revenue for**
18 **small or local businesses; and**

19 **“(F) Provide any other information the commission considers nec-**
20 **essary or important for reviewing applications.**

21 **“(4)(a) Applications shall be submitted to Sport Oregon for a pre-**
22 **liminary review.**

23 **“(b) Upon request, Sport Oregon may consult with an applicant**
24 **about its application, before or after submission.**

25 **“(c) An applicant may amend and resubmit its application at any**
26 **time within the application period.**

27 **“(5)(a) Sport Oregon shall review all timely and complete applica-**
28 **tions.**

29 **“(b) Within 30 days following receipt of an application, Sport**
30 **Oregon shall:**

1 **“(A) Approve the application for a grant in the amount requested;**

2 **“(B) Approve the application for a grant in an amount other than**
3 **the amount requested; or**

4 **“(C) Reject the application.**

5 **“(c) As soon as practicable after making a decision under this sub-**
6 **section, Sport Oregon shall forward only approved applications, with**
7 **grant recommendations, to the commission.**

8 **“(6) In reviewing applications, Sport Oregon shall:**

9 **“(a) Give priority to applications that:**

10 **“(A) Promise a greater impact on youth sports in the local com-**
11 **munity;**

12 **“(B) Promise a greater economic impact on local communities; and**

13 **“(C) Show an ability to leverage partnerships; and**

14 **“(b) Approve applications that, taken together, represent regional**
15 **diversity in Oregon.**

16 **“(7)(a) Within 30 days following receipt of an application and grant**
17 **recommendation forwarded by Sport Oregon, the commission shall**
18 **make a final review of the application.**

19 **“(b) The commission shall review Sport Oregon’s decisions for**
20 **compliance with the provisions of this section. The commission may**
21 **consult with Sport Oregon about noncompliant decisions.**

22 **“(c) The commission shall review Sport Oregon’s recommended**
23 **grant amounts and approve, reject or modify the recommendations.**

24 **“(d) The final decisions of the commission are not subject to appeal.**

25 **“(8)(a) As soon as practicable after making final decisions under**
26 **subsection (7) of this section, the commission shall:**

27 **“(A) Notify Sport Oregon of the final decisions, giving reasons for**
28 **the decisions if the commission and Sport Oregon consider it neces-**
29 **sary.**

30 **“(B) Offer a grant agreement to each approved applicant.**

1 **“(b) Upon entering into a grant agreement with an approved appli-**
2 **cant, the commission shall distribute the approved grant amount to**
3 **the local government body.**

4 **“(9) Not later than December 31, 2024, Sport Oregon shall submit**
5 **to the commission a report setting forth:**

6 **“(a) The youth sporting events that have been sponsored with grant**
7 **moneys awarded under this section;**

8 **“(b) A detailed list of what the grant moneys were used for;**

9 **“(c) The impact each grant has had on:**

10 **“(A) Youth sports in the local community; and**

11 **“(B) The economy of local communities, including, but not limited**
12 **to, tourism and small or local businesses; and**

13 **“(d) Any other information Sport Oregon considers necessary or**
14 **important for an evaluation of the grant program.**

15 **“(10)(a) If the commission discovers that a local government body**
16 **used grant moneys for any purpose other than the purpose for which**
17 **its grant application was approved, the commission may recover the**
18 **amount of the grant.**

19 **“(b) Any and all amounts required to be repaid under this sub-**
20 **section shall be considered to be liquidated and delinquent, and the**
21 **commission shall assign such amounts to the Department of Revenue**
22 **for collection as provided in ORS 293.250.**

23 **“(c) All amounts repaid to the commission or the department under**
24 **this subsection, including grant amounts, penalties, interest, fees and**
25 **any other charges, shall be credited to the account of the commission.**

26 **“(11) For activities undertaken pursuant to this section, the com-**
27 **mission shall distribute to Sport Oregon out of the moneys appropri-**
28 **ated under section 1 of this 2023 Act:**

29 **“(a) An initial fee of up to \$50,000; and**

30 **“(b) \$50,000 in advance of each calendar quarter for the duration of**

1 the youth sports grant program.

2 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2,**
3 **2026.**

4 **“SECTION 4. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate**
5 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**
6 **declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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