

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 co-
14 administer with Sport Oregon in accordance with this section, a pro-
15 gram for awarding grants to local government bodies to help fund
16 youth sporting events using moneys appropriated under section 1 of
17 this 2023 Act. The commission may consult with Sport Oregon about
18 the development of the program.**

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

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

1 **“(B) Have secured other funding, in-kind donations or other re-**
2 **sources from any other public or private, nonprofit or for-profit,**
3 **source.**

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

6 **“(3)(a) The commission shall prescribe an application process, in-**
7 **cluding forms and deadlines, by which a local government body may**
8 **apply for a grant under this section. The commission may consult with**
9 **Sport Oregon about the application process.**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

30 **“(5)(a) Sport Oregon shall review all timely and complete applica-**

1 tions.

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

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

5 “(B) Approve the application for a grant in an amount other than
6 the amount requested; or

7 “(C) Reject the application.

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

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

12 “(a) Give priority to applications that:

13 “(A) Promise a greater impact on youth sports in the local com-
14 munity;

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

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

17 “(b) Approve applications that, taken together, represent regional
18 diversity in Oregon.

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

22 “(b) The commission shall review Sport Oregon’s decisions for
23 compliance with the provisions of this section. The commission may
24 consult with Sport Oregon about noncompliant decisions.

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

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

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

30 “(A) Notify Sport Oregon of the final decisions, giving reasons for

1 the decisions if the commission and Sport Oregon consider it neces-
2 sary.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

29 **“(11) For activities undertaken pursuant to this section, the com-
30 mission shall distribute to Sport Oregon out of the moneys appropri-**

1 ated under section 1 of this 2023 Act:

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

3 “(b) \$50,000 in advance of each calendar quarter for the duration of
4 the youth sports grant program.

5 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2,
6 2026.**

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

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