

I am NEUTRAL on [SB 200]...More information on "The Salvage Chief needs to be presented.

The "Text of [SB 200]" states, "SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$1,900,000, to be distributed by grant to the Salvage Chief (LSM380) Foundation, an Oregon public benefit corporation, for the purpose of repairing, upgrading and returning to operation the vessel known as the Salvage Chief, as follows: (1) \$1,894,737 for hull repairs; (2) \$631,579 for engine and fire pump upgrades; and (3) \$473,684 for emergency communications upgrades, United States Coast Guard inspection and contingency."

I would like to Support "The Salvage Chief" project but, there is too little information as to the condition of the ship today.

If "The Salvage Chief" was owned by the State of Oregon, the U.S. Navy shipyard might repair the vessel's hull and engine for free but, an Oregon Public benefit corporation? I don't think the Navy could help.

I'm skeptical of trusting an Oregon Public benefit corporation with nearly \$2Million dollars and end up with a rickety old boat.

More information as to the scope of work to be done on the engine and fire pump upgrades and the hull should show up be presented.

Personally, I hope my concerns are for naught.

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Mr. Oregon Concurr...Why doesn't Oregon have more than one salvage vessel?

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