Senate Bill 1501

Sponsored by JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

SUMMARY

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Digest: The Act changes the things that certain housing moneys can be spent on. The Act creates a new fund to hold deposits from private security companies. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

Modifies permissible purposes for amounts held in the Long-Term Rent Assistance Fund.

Establishes an account to hold amounts submitted by private security entities as proof of ability to pay wages.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to state financial administration; creating new provisions; amending ORS 181A.890, 181A.900 and 458.392; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

SECTION 1. ORS 458.392 is amended to read:

458.392. (1) There is established the Long-Term Rent Assistance Fund, separate and distinct from the General Fund.

(2) The Long-Term Rent Assistance Fund shall consist of moneys credited to the fund from moneys appropriated or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or received from the federal government or other grants, gifts or donations from any source.

(3) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Housing and Community Services Department to:

(a) Provide rental assistance and other supportive services to people who are experiencing, or are at risk of experiencing, homelessness; and

(b) Carry out the duties under ORS 458.390.

PRIVATE SECURITY ENTITIES

SECTION 2. The Private Security Entity Account is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The Private Security Entity Account consists of moneys deposited in the account under ORS 181A.900 (3). Moneys in the account are continuously appropriated to the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training for the purpose of payment to persons entitled thereto.

SECTION 3. ORS 181A.900 is amended to read:

181A.900. (1) The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training shall establish by rule

NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in boldfaced type.
standards and procedures for the licensing of private security entities.

(2) Rules adopted under this section must require that an applicant for a private security entity license:

(a) Submit a written application to the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training on a form approved by the department;

(b) Register the entity as a business with the Secretary of State;

(c) Be the principal owner or principal partner who exercises operational control over the entity;

(d) Designate an executive manager licensed by the department;

(e) Be covered by a general liability insurance policy for which the applicant is a primary insured that includes public liability, personal injury and property damage insurance covering all aspects of the private security services being provided;

(f) Maintain and make available to the department upon request records of the training hours completed by each private security provider employed by the entity;

(g) Demonstrate the existence of use of force and citizen arrest policies, unless the private security entity exclusively monitors alarm systems; and

(h) Provide the following information to the department:

(A) The names and addresses of all persons financially interested, whether as partners, shareholders, associates or profit-sharers, in the applicant’s proposed operations as a private security entity, together with the amount of their respective interests, and whether or not, to the best of the applicant’s knowledge, any of these persons was ever denied a certificate or a license under ORS 181A.870 within the preceding three years, or had a certificate or license suspended or revoked within the preceding three years;

(B) Proof of the existence of adequate insurance under rules issued by the department;

(C) Proof of compliance with business tax requirements;

(D) Any claims for unpaid wages that have been made against the applicant within the preceding two years;

(E) The physical address of the work location or locations at which private security services are provided by private security professionals employed by or pursuant to a contract or subcontract with the applicant; and

(F) For each work location at which private security services are provided by private security professionals pursuant to a contract or subcontract with the applicant, the names of the private security entity or entities contracted or subcontracted with the applicant.

(3) Each applicant shall submit with the application for a private security entity license, proof of financial ability to promptly pay the wages of executive managers, private security professionals and supervisory managers employed by or who contract with the private security entity. The proof required in this subsection shall be in an amount and form as established by the department by rule, including but not limited to, a corporate surety bond, a cash deposit or a deposit the equivalent of cash. Amounts received by the department under this subsection must be deposited in the Private Security Entity Account established under section 2 of this 2024 Act.

(4) The department shall establish fees for issuing licenses to private security entities. The fees may not exceed the prorated direct costs of administering:

(a) The licensing program required by this section;

(b) The license examinations required by ORS 181A.904; and

(c) The investigations required by ORS 181A.902.
SECTION 4. ORS 181A.890 is amended to read:

181A.890. Except as provided in ORS 181A.900 (3), all moneys received by the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training under ORS 181A.840 to 181A.918 and 181A.995, including penalties recovered under ORS 181A.995 (2), shall be paid into the General Fund in the State Treasury and placed to the credit of the Police Standards and Training Account established in ORS 181A.665.

CAPTIONS

SECTION 5. The unit captions used in this 2024 Act are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the enactment of this 2024 Act.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE

SECTION 6. This 2024 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2024 Act takes effect on its passage.