

House Bill 3270

Sponsored by Representative EVANS

SUMMARY

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Digest: The Act adds more members to the Emergency Board. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5). Expands the membership of the Emergency Board. Becomes operative upon adjournment sine die of the 2027 regular session of the Legislative Assembly.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the Emergency Board; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 291.326 and 291.330.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 291.330 is amended to read:

5 291.330. The Emergency Board shall be composed of:

6 (1) The President of the Senate[,];

7 (2) The Speaker of the House of Representatives[, *the chairpersons of the Senate and House Ways*
8 *and Means Committees, eight*];

9 (3) **Seven** other members of the Senate, at least four of whom shall have had some previous
10 experience on the **Joint Committee on Ways and Means** [*Committee*], to be appointed by the Pres-
11 ident [*of the Senate*] and confirmed by a majority of all the members elected to the Senate[,]; and

12 (4) [*eight*] **Fourteen** other members of the House, at least four of whom shall have had some
13 previous experience on the **Joint Committee on Ways and Means** [*Committee*], to be appointed by
14 the Speaker and confirmed by a majority of all the members elected to the House.

15 **SECTION 2.** ORS 291.326 is amended to read:

16 291.326. (1) The Emergency Board, during the interim between sessions of the Legislative As-
17 sembly, may exercise the following powers:

18 (a) Where an emergency exists, to allocate to any state agency, out of any emergency fund that
19 may be appropriated to the Emergency Board for that purpose, additional funds beyond the amount
20 appropriated to the agency by the Legislative Assembly, or funds to carry on an activity required
21 by law for which an appropriation was not made.

22 (b) Where an emergency exists, to authorize any state agency to expend, from funds dedicated
23 or continuously appropriated for the uses and purposes of the agency, sums in excess of the amount
24 of the budget of the agency as approved in accordance with law.

25 (c) In the case of a new activity coming into existence at such a time as to preclude the possi-
26 bility of submitting a budget to the Legislative Assembly for approval, to approve, or revise and
27 approve, a budget of the money appropriated for such new activity.

28 (d) Where an emergency exists, to revise or amend the budgets of state agencies to the extent
29 of authorizing transfers between expenditure classifications within the budget of an agency.

30 [(2) *No allocation, authorization or approval under subsection (1)(a), (b) or (c) of this section shall*

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.

1 *be effective unless made at a meeting at which 10 members of the board were present.]*

2 [(3)] (2) The laws enacted by the Legislative Assembly making appropriations and limiting
3 expenditures, or either, are not intended to limit the powers of the Emergency Board.

4 **SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 291.326 and 291.330 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2025**
5 **Act become operative upon adjournment sine die of the 2027 regular session of the Eighty-**
6 **fourth Legislative Assembly.**

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