

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4121

Relating to emergency management

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Capital Construction Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Evans

HB 4121 creates statewide emergency preparedness authorities and funds.

The measure creates the Statewide Regional Training Office within the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training and does the following:

- Clarifies the duties of the State Resilience Officer;
- Creates the Oregon Disaster Recover Authority advisory group to be activated if the governor declares an emergency;
- Clarifies language around Resilience Hubs and Networks;
- Authorizes overnight training activities for state-funded facilities used for emergency preparedness;
- Gives counties the authority to waive civil penalties if imposed during a state of emergency;
- Directs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to submit a report on health coverage disparities between paid and volunteer firefighters;
- Requires criminal records checks for those employed by and contracting with the Oregon Department of Emergency Management;
- Establishes public and individual assistance grant programs to be activated only if the governor declares an emergency; and

- Includes the creation of new funds within the Oregon State Treasury that can receive future appropriations, if approved.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4121 be amended by the –A3 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.