

HB 4121A SPARTICIS

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OREGON STATEWIDE PREPAREDNESS AUTHORITY FOR TRAINING AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL
CONTINUITY OF IMPERATIVE SERVICES



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WHAT IS HB 4121A?



The bill strengthens Oregon's emergency preparedness by reinforcing critical infrastructure during disasters, and establishing permanent grants for individual assistance programs, public assistance, enhancing upon resilience hubs and updates to ensure food security to protect lives and communities statewide.

WHAT THE BILL DOES

- Expansion of Oregon's Resilience Hubs network
- Authority to waive certain civil penalties during time of declared emergencies
- State Fire Marshal study on the disparities between paid & volunteer firefighters
- Establishment of Public Assistance Grants
- Establishment of Individual Assistance Grant Programs

WHY THE BILL IS NEEDED

- Oregon is 25 years past due for the Cascadia event Oregon doesn't have a comprehensive emergency preparedness and readiness plan for statewide emergencies
- Oregon is at risk to lose rural volunteer firefighters and emergency responders due to the lack of training opportunities.
- Oregon has 363 miles of coastline waiting for a tsunami
- Oregon is better primed to receive Federal funds when we have systems set up in advance

HOW WE GOT HERE

- 40+ participants
- 10 partner groups/agencies/organizations
- 7-hours of work group meetings
- 1 tsunami warning

Whats Next

STRATEGIC 10-YEAR PLAN

- Enhanced SRO Duties
- Creation of the Oregon Disaster Recovery Authority
- Creation of the Oregon Preparedness Grant Account
- Expansion of Oregon's Resilience Hub Networks
- Enhanced training and overnight facilities across the state*



*2027 next steps

