House Bill 4001

Sponsored by Representative CLEM (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced.**

Requires criminal records check for volunteers and employees who staff State Emergency Operations Center or emergency operating facility of city or county.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- Relating to emergency management; and declaring an emergency.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2012 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 401.
 - <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181.534, the Office of Emergency Management shall require the fingerprints of an individual who staffs, as a volunteer or employee, a State Emergency Operations Center pursuant to ORS 401.092.
 - (2) The emergency management agency of a city or county shall cause the sheriff of the county to conduct a criminal records check of volunteers and paid personnel who staff an emergency operating facility, as described in ORS 401.305, from which elected or appointed officials can direct emergency or disaster response activities. The criminal records check under this subsection must include a check for a criminal record in the State of Oregon. In addition, a national criminal records check is required under this subsection if:
 - (a) The person has resided in another state within five years before the date that the criminal records check is performed;
 - (b) The person has disclosed the existence of a criminal conviction; or
 - (c) A criminal records check in the State of Oregon discloses the existence of a criminal record in another jurisdiction.
 - (3) This section does not require a unique criminal records check for volunteers or paid personnel serving in positions for which their public employers have already required a criminal records check.
 - SECTION 3. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect on its passage.

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