

**Department of Public Safety Standards and Training  
Assistance to Firefighters**

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The Public Safety subcommittee recommends approval, retroactively, for the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to apply for \$145,000 from the US Department of Homeland Security's Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

This grant program provides funding to firefighting agencies and training organizations to buy equipment. If awarded, DPSST will use the grant funds to purchase a skid truck frame, used to train firefighters and emergency responders to drive safely under hazardous conditions. DPSST trains more than one thousand Oregon firefighters annually through its Skid Avoidance for Fire Apparatus Drivers program, the most-requested training DPSST provides to firefighting agencies throughout the state. This grant requires a 15% match, which the Department will pay from its current budget. Grant awards are expected to be announced on March fifth of this year.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends approval of the request.