

HB 4042 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) to establish program for certification of business organizations as emergency preparedness partners. Provides that organizations shall be certified if minimum number of individuals in organization complete required training and meet other requirements. Directs contracting agencies to give preference to bidder or proposer who is certified by OEM.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Pre-disaster training for apprenticeship programs
- Alternative business types
- Effects of -1 amendments

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces measure. Removes certain restrictions on non-state bidders and contracts. Limits scope of measure to only include construction projects.

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: Has fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND:

Following a catastrophic disaster there will be a need for trained responders. People with varying skills will be needed to provide response and recovery services to aid Oregon professional responders. Companies can provide the training internally or coordinate with the OEM or local, regional, or tribal emergency managers.

House Bill 4042 creates a partnership between the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and companies willing to ensure a baseline level of training and skills to include first aid, CPR, successful completion of certain Federal Emergency Management Agency courses, and a valid Oregon Driver's License.