

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2425

By COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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- 1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert:
- 2 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**
- 3 **“(a) ‘Emergency communications system’ has the meaning given that term in ORS**
- 4 **403.105.**
- 5 **“(b) ‘9-1-1 jurisdiction’ has the meaning given that term in 403.105.**
- 6 **“(c) ‘Public safety answering point’ has the meaning given that term in ORS 403.105.**
- 7 **“(2) The Office of Emergency Management shall administer a program to provide grants,**
- 8 **from the Public Safety Answer Point Consolidation Fund established under section 2 of this**
- 9 **2021 Act, in support of projects to consolidate and modernize or upgrade public safety an-**
- 10 **swering points.**
- 11 **“(3)(a) 9-1-1 jurisdictions may apply for grants under the program. An application must**
- 12 **include, at a minimum:**
- 13 **“(A) A plan for consolidating two or more public safety answering points into a single**
- 14 **public safety answering point; and**
- 15 **“(B) A plan for modernizing or upgrading software or hardware.**
- 16 **“(b) Plans must specify that all equipment acquired for radio infrastructure will support**
- 17 **interoperable two-way digital radio standards, or is capable of being upgraded to support**
- 18 **such standards.**
- 19 **“(c) Plans may rely on or include information previously collected or plans previously**
- 20 **developed by a 9-1-1 jurisdiction.**
- 21 **“(4)(a) The office shall approve a grant application if:**
- 22 **“(A) The office determines that the project described in the application will improve the**
- 23 **efficiency of the emergency communications system;**
- 24 **“(B) The office determines that 9-1-1 system upgrades and radio infrastructure upgrades**
- 25 **described in the application are either in compliance with applicable provisions of the Oregon**
- 26 **Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan described in ORS 403.455 or are capable of**
- 27 **being upgraded to bring them into compliance; and**
- 28 **“(C) The application has been presented to the following entities for review and comment:**
- 29 **“(i) The official within the office with primary responsibility for the emergency commu-**
- 30 **nications system; and**
- 31 **“(ii) Any relevant advisory committees established under ORS 403.120.**
- 32 **“(b) The office may approve applications for a maximum of two projects per biennium,**
- 33 **notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection. The office shall review and approve appli-**
- 34 **cations in the order in which they are received.**
- 35 **“(5) The office may provide grants of up to \$500,000 for modernizing or upgrading soft-**

1 ware or hardware to 9-1-1 jurisdictions whose grant applications are approved under this
2 section. To be eligible for a grant under this subsection, a 9-1-1 jurisdiction must commit an
3 amount of at least \$150,000 to the modernization or upgrade.

4 “(6) Grants under the program may not exceed, per project:

5 “(a) \$25,000 for costs related to developing consolidation plans; and

6 “(b) \$50,000 for technical support to implement consolidation plans.

7 “(7) On or before December 1 of each year, the office shall report on the status of the
8 grant program described in this section to the interim committees of the Legislative As-
9 sembly related to emergency preparedness.

10 “(8) The office shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section, including rules
11 governing the form and process for grant applications.

12 “SECTION 2. The Public Safety Answer Point Consolidation Fund is established in the
13 State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. The Public Safety Answer
14 Point Consolidation Fund consists of moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or trans-
15 ferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise. The moneys in the fund are
16 continuously appropriated to the Oregon Military Department for the Office of Emergency
17 Management to carry out the provisions of section 1 of this 2021 Act.

18 “SECTION 3. (1) Sections 1 and 2 of this 2021 Act are repealed on January 2, 2041.

19 “(2) Any moneys remaining in the Public Safety Answer Point Consolidation Fund es-
20 tablished under section 2 of this 2021 Act on the date specified in subsection (1) of this sec-
21 tion that are unexpended, unobligated and not subject to any conditions shall revert to the
22 General Fund.

23 “SECTION 4. There is appropriated to the Oregon Military Department, for the biennium
24 beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$___, for deposit in the Public
25 Safety Answer Point Consolidation Fund established under section 2 of this 2021 Act.”.