

Requested by Representative NATHANSON

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2425**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 31 and delete page
2 2 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

4 **“(a) ‘Emergency communications system’ has the meaning given**
5 **that term in ORS 403.105.**

6 **“(b) ‘9-1-1 jurisdiction’ has the meaning given that term in 403.105.**

7 **“(c) ‘Public safety answering point’ has the meaning given that**
8 **term in ORS 403.105.**

9 **“(2) The Office of Emergency Management shall administer a pro-**
10 **gram to provide grants, from the Public Safety Answer Point Consol-**
11 **idation Fund established under section 2 of this 2021 Act, in support**
12 **of projects to consolidate and modernize or upgrade public safety an-**
13 **swering points.**

14 **“(3)(a) 9-1-1 jurisdictions may apply for grants under the program.**
15 **An application must include, at a minimum:**

16 **“(A) A plan for consolidating two or more public safety answering**
17 **points into a single public safety answering point; and**

18 **“(B) A plan for modernizing or upgrading software or hardware.**

19 **“(b) Plans must specify that all equipment acquired for radio**
20 **infrastructure will support interoperable two-way digital radio stan-**
21 **dards, or is capable of being upgraded to support such standards.**

1 “(c) Plans may rely on or include information previously collected
2 or plans previously developed by a 9-1-1 jurisdiction.

3 “(4)(a) The office shall approve a grant application if:

4 “(A) The office determines that the project described in the appli-
5 cation will improve the efficiency of the emergency communications
6 system;

7 “(B) The office determines that 9-1-1 system upgrades and radio
8 infrastructure upgrades described in the application are either in
9 compliance with applicable provisions of the Oregon Statewide Com-
10 munication Interoperability Plan described in ORS 403.455 or are ca-
11 pable of being upgraded to bring them into compliance; and

12 “(C) The application has been presented to the following entities for
13 review and comment:

14 “(i) The official within the office with primary responsibility for the
15 emergency communications system; and

16 “(ii) Any relevant advisory committees established under ORS
17 403.120.

18 “(b) The office may approve applications for a maximum of two
19 projects per biennium, notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this sub-
20 section. The office shall review and approve applications in the order
21 in which they are received.

22 “(5) The office may provide grants of up to \$500,000 for modernizing
23 or upgrading software or hardware to 9-1-1 jurisdictions whose grant
24 applications are approved under this section. To be eligible for a grant
25 under this subsection, a 9-1-1 jurisdiction must commit an amount of
26 at least \$150,000 to the modernization or upgrade.

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

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

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

30 “(7) On or before December 1 of each year, the office shall report

1 on the status of the grant program described in this section to the
2 interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to emergency
3 preparedness.

4 “(8) The office shall adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this
5 section, including rules governing the form and process for grant ap-
6 plications.

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

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

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

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

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