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Senator Julie Fahey, Chair
House Committee on Rules
900 Court St NE
State Capitol
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Re: HB2266 – State Interoperability Executive Council Membership

Dear Chair Fahey:

This letter seeks support for HB2266 which expands the membership of the State Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC). The SIEC is created to be the governing body serving as the primary steering group for the Oregon Statewide Communication Interoperability Plan (SCIP). The SCIP is a multi-jurisdictional, cross governmental, statewide strategic plan that incorporates tactical objectives aimed at improving interoperability between public safety and emergency response agencies and organizations across the state.

HB2266 adds a representative from the Department of the State Fire Marshal which will be its own agency independent of the Department of State Police effective July 1, 2023, as prescribed by HB 2927 from the 2021 Legislative session.

HB2266 also adds a member representing the Oregon emergency management community with the intent to ensure balanced representation across jurisdictions, levels of government, and disciplines so that issues are considered from all viewpoints and perspectives. While the Oregon Department of Emergency Management is represented on the SIEC, additional local or county emergency management perspective would add value given the SIEC's role in establishing goals and objectives pertaining to emergency management issues related to communications.

Please contact me if I can provide additional clarification or information.

Sincerely,

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