

HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2139

By COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS

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1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “housing” insert “; and declaring an emergency”.

2 Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2025 Act are added to and made a part of ORS**
4 **chapter 458.**

5 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Housing and Community Services Department shall make grants**
6 **to federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon for the purpose of:**

7 **“(a) Providing affordable housing, rental assistance, down payment and homeownership**
8 **assistance, emergency housing assistance or shelter to tribal communities.**

9 **“(b) Taking other actions to address homelessness, housing stabilization, homeownership**
10 **development and affordable housing in tribal communities.**

11 **“(2) To be eligible for a grant under this section, a tribe must submit to the department**
12 **a copy of a housing plan that is in compliance with program guidance developed by the de-**
13 **partment.**

14 **“(3) The department shall award grants on a regular basis from the Tribal Housing Grant**
15 **Fund established under section 3 of this 2025 Act.**

16 **“(4) The department shall apportion grants to each eligible Indian tribe in amounts based**
17 **on a formula developed by the department.**

18 **“(5) Recipients of grants under this section shall report to the department on the use of**
19 **funds in a form, format and schedule as prescribed by the department. The department may**
20 **consolidate reporting requirements while ensuring that the grants are used for intended**
21 **purposes.**

22 **“(6) Grants made under this section are intended to benefit the tribes and the tribal**
23 **communities. Contract preference laws, including laws benefitting tribal employment that**
24 **are adopted by the tribe that receives the benefit, may be applied with respect to the ad-**
25 **ministration of the grants.**

26 **“(7) The eligibility for or award of a grant to a tribe under this section is not intended**
27 **to affect eligibility for any other funds or programs, including those under ORS 456.515 to**
28 **456.725 or this chapter.**

29 **“SECTION 3. (1) The Tribal Housing Grant Fund is established in the State Treasury,**
30 **separate and distinct from the General Fund.**

31 **“(2) The Tribal Housing Grant Fund consists of moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited**
32 **or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise. Interest earned by the**
33 **fund is credited to the fund.**

34 **“(3) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Housing and Community**
35 **Services Department to award and administer grants under section 2 of this 2025 Act.**

1 **“SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-**
2 **priated to the Housing and Community Services Department, for the biennium beginning July**
3 **1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$12,767,376, for deposit into the Tribal**
4 **Housing Grant Fund established under section 3 of this 2025 Act.**

5 **“SECTION 5. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
6 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect**
7 **July 1, 2025.”.**

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