

A-Engrossed
House Bill 3135

Ordered by the House April 10
Including House Amendments dated April 10

Sponsored by Representative BREESE-IVERSON; Representatives LEVY B, LEVY E, RESCHKE (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act gives an agency money for grants to soil and water conservation districts in certain counties and for support and monitoring. The Act takes effect when it is signed. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7).

[Digest: The Act tells an agency to award grants to soil and water conservation districts. The Act gives the agency money for the grants. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.1).]

[Directs] Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to award grants to soil and water conservation districts that operate in certain counties. Appropriates moneys to the department for distribution to the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council for soil and water conservation districts for coordination and administrative support and to perform certain monitoring.

[Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for awarding the grants.]
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to water conservation; and declaring an emergency.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-**
5 **ated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July**
6 **1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the following amounts which may be expended for the**
7 **purposes of providing grants pursuant to ORS 568.970, as follows:**

8 (1) \$1,235,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
9 Crook County.

10 (2) \$715,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
11 Jefferson County.

12 (3) \$585,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
13 Klamath County.

14 (4) \$585,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
15 Deschutes County.

16 (5) \$580,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
17 Harney County.

18 (6) \$455,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in Lake
19 County.

20 (7) \$455,000 for providing a grant to a soil and water conservation district located in
21 Wheeler County.

22 **SECTION 2. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall provide the grants**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 described in section 1 of this 2025 Act no later than July 1, 2025, or 60 days after the effective
2 date of this 2025 Act, whichever is later.

3 **SECTION 3.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-
4 ated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July
5 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$150,000, for distribution to the Central
6 Oregon Intergovernmental Council for the purpose of coordination and administrative sup-
7 port for soil and water conservation districts related to implementing ORS 568.970.

8 **SECTION 4.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropri-
9 ated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, for the biennium beginning July
10 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$500,000 to be distributed to the Central
11 Oregon Intergovernmental Council for distribution to soil and water conservation districts
12 for monitoring, or contracting for monitoring, related to implementing ORS 568.970 and
13 568.972.

14 **SECTION 5.** This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
15 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect
16 on its passage.
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