

House Bill 3240

Sponsored by Representative EVANS (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 **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act tells ODEM to develop staging areas for emergency response in the state. The Act sets up a committee to give advice to ODEM about the staging areas. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).

Establishes the Oregon Public Places Are Safe Places Investment Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management for the implementation of strategies for identifying and developing staging areas for emergency response.

Creates an advisory committee within the department to provide recommendations and advice regarding expenditures from the fund.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to development of staging areas for emergency response.

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

3 **SECTION 1. Sections 2 to 4 of this 2025 Act are added to and made a part of ORS chapter**
4 **401.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Public Places Are Safe Places Investment Fund is established**
6 **in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.**

7 **(2) Amounts in the Oregon Public Places Are Safe Places Investment Fund may be in-**
8 **vested as provided in ORS 293.701 to 293.857, and interest earned on moneys in the fund must**
9 **be credited to the fund.**

10 **(3) Amounts credited to the fund are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Depart-**
11 **ment of Emergency Management for the implementation of strategies for identifying and**
12 **developing staging areas for emergency response.**

13 **(4) The fund consists of:**

14 **(a) Amounts appropriated, or otherwise provided, by the Legislative Assembly for deposit**
15 **in the fund; and**

16 **(b) Gifts, grants or contributions received by the department for deposit in the fund.**

17 **SECTION 3. (1) There is created within the Oregon Department of Emergency Manage-**
18 **ment an advisory committee to provide recommendations and advice to the department re-**
19 **garding expenditures from the Oregon Public Places Are Safe Places Investment Fund**
20 **established under section 2 of this 2025 Act.**

21 **(2) The advisory committee initially consists of 26 members appointed by the Governor**
22 **as follows:**

23 **(a) The Governor shall appoint as members one representative from each of the follow-**
24 **ing:**

25 **(A) The Department of Consumer and Business Services;**

26 **(B) The Department of Corrections;**
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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 (C) The Department of Environmental Quality;
 - 2 (D) The Department of Human Services;
 - 3 (E) The Department of Justice;
 - 4 (F) The Department of Land Conservation and Development;
 - 5 (G) The Department of State Police;
 - 6 (H) The Department of Transportation;
 - 7 (I) The office of State Resilience Officer;
 - 8 (J) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services;
 - 9 (K) The Oregon Department of Aviation;
 - 10 (L) The Oregon Health Authority;
 - 11 (M) The Public Utility Commission of Oregon;
 - 12 (N) The State Department of Agriculture;
 - 13 (O) The State Department of Energy;
 - 14 (P) The State Department of Fish and Wildlife;
 - 15 (Q) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries;
 - 16 (R) The State Fire Marshal;
 - 17 (S) The State Forestry Department;
 - 18 (T) The State Marine Board;
 - 19 (U) The State Parks and Recreation Department;
 - 20 (V) The State Treasurer; and
 - 21 (W) The Water Resources Department.
- 22 (b) The Governor shall appoint three members as follows:
- 23 (A) One member representing local governments in this state;
 - 24 (B) One member representing special districts in this state; and
 - 25 (C) One member of the public who has experience or interest in disaster response and
 - 26 recovery.
- 27 (3) Appointments shall be made for a term of four years in a manner to preserve as much
- 28 as possible the representation of the advisory committee described in subsection (2) of this
- 29 section. Vacancies shall be filled for any unexpired term as soon as the Governor can make
- 30 such appointments.
- 31 (4) The chairperson of the advisory committee may appoint additional members to the
- 32 advisory committee. Members added under this subsection serve for a term of four years.
- 33 If a member appointed under this subsection leaves service on the advisory committee for
- 34 any reason, the chairperson may appoint another person for the unexpired term.
- 35 (5) The advisory committee shall choose its own chairperson and shall meet at the call
- 36 of the chairperson or the Director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.
- 37 The advisory committee shall adopt rules to govern its proceedings and may select officers
- 38 it considers necessary.
- 39 (6) The department shall provide office space and personnel to assist the advisory com-
- 40 mittee as requested by the chairperson, within the limits of available funds.
- 41 (7) Members of the advisory committee shall receive no compensation for their services.
- 42 Members of the advisory committee other than members employed in full-time public service
- 43 shall be reimbursed by the department for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in
- 44 the performance of their duties. Such reimbursements shall be subject to the provisions of
- 45 ORS 292.210 to 292.288. Members of the advisory committee who are employed in full-time

1 **public service may be reimbursed by their employing agency for their actual and necessary**
2 **expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.**

3 **SECTION 4. Sections 2 to 4 of this 2025 Act shall be known and may be cited as the**
4 **Oregon Public Places Resiliency Investment Act.**

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