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Requested by Senator PATTERSON

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 31

- In line 2 of the printed bill, after "housing" insert "; and declaring an emergency".
- 3 Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:
- "SECTION 1. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2025 Act are added to and made a part of ORS 456.250 to 456.267.
- "SECTION 2. (1) The Housing and Community Services Department may award grants to qualified housing sponsors, as defined in ORS 456.548, to make one-time assistance to tenants whose housing is withdrawn from publicly supported housing.
- "(2) The department shall establish a process and criteria for soliciting, awarding and disbursing grants under this section, which must include that:
- "(a) Applications may not be accepted or reviewed until the department has received a first notice for the publicly supported housing under ORS 456.260 (1);
- 16 "(b) An application must include the publicly supported housing's 17 address, number of units and owner's name;
- 18 "(c) The department may not award more than one grant to any 19 applicant per publicly supported housing; and
- 20 "(d) The grant award may not exceed three times the total monthly 21 rent collected by the formerly publicly supported housing when subject

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- "(3) Moneys may not be distributed to grant award recipients before the publicly supported housing's termination date.
- "(4)(a) Grant award recipients may use grant moneys received under this section to provide direct financial assistance to tenants who, on the termination date, were living in the publicly supported housing.
- 7 "(b) A tenant may use the financial assistance for:
- "(A) If remaining in the housing, increased rent following the termination of the affordability restrictions, including during and after the period described in ORS 456.267 (1); or
 - "(B) If moving, the costs of moving, the first month's rent, security or rent deposits, costs for utility transfer or connections, housing navigation services or other uses as established by the department.
 - "(5) No later than five years following the award of grant moneys received under this section, grant award recipients shall:
 - "(a) Provide a report to the department accounting for how the moneys were spent and the outcomes obtained; and
 - "(b) Return any unspent moneys to the department for deposit into the Expiring Affordability Mitigation Tenant Fund established by section 3 of this 2025 Act.
 - "SECTION 3. (1) The Expiring Affordability Mitigation Tenant Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund.
 - "(2) The Expiring Affordability Mitigation Tenant Fund consists of moneys received by the Housing and Community Services Department under section 2 (5) of this 2025 Act and moneys appropriated, allocated, deposited or transferred to the fund by the Legislative Assembly or otherwise. Interest earned by the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- 29 "(3) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the de-30 partment for the grant program under section 2 of this 2025 Act.

"SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropri-1 ation, there is appropriated to the Housing and Community Services 2 Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the Gen-3 eral Fund, the amount of \$___, for deposit into the Expiring 4 Affordability Mitigation Tenant Fund established by section 3 of this 5 2025 Act. 6 "SECTION 5. This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate 7 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is 8 declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect July 1, 2025.". 9

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