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Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, GENERAL GOVERNMENT, AND VETERANS (at the request of Department of Human Services)

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
HOUSE BILL 2346**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 4 through 27 and delete pages
2 2 through 5 and insert:

3 **“SECTION 1. (1) The Office of Resilience and Emergency Manage-**
4 **ment is established within the Department of Human Services.**

5 **“(2) The office shall:**

6 **“(a) Perform duties assigned to the department as described in the**
7 **State of Oregon Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan or suc-**
8 **cessor documents;**

9 **“(b) At the direction of the Director of Human Services, support the**
10 **department in the delivery and administration of programs and ser-**
11 **vices to ensure continuity of operations in the department and ensure**
12 **ongoing access to the department’s programs and services;**

13 **“(c) In consultation with the Oregon Department of Emergency**
14 **Management, local governments as defined in ORS 174.116, tribal gov-**
15 **ernments and other relevant entities, develop and publish a plan for**
16 **activating or mobilizing resources to provide mass care or other sup-**
17 **port; and**

18 **“(d) Perform other such duties as may be assigned to the office.**

19 **“(3) The Department of Human Services may utilize staff, equip-**
20 **ment or other resources from its other programs, offices or divisions**
21 **to assist the Office of Resilience and Emergency Management in car-**

1 **rying out the functions of the office.**

2 **“(4) The office may coordinate with, contract with or provide**
3 **grants, equipment, assistance or other support to public or private**
4 **entities, including tribal entities, as necessary to prevent, mitigate,**
5 **prepare for, respond to and recover from disruptions or as necessary**
6 **for the office or its partners to carry out the duties of the office.**

7 **“(5) The office may adopt rules necessary to carry out its duties.**

8 **“SECTION 2. (1) The Office of Resilience and Emergency Manage-**
9 **ment is under the supervision and control of the Director of Resilience**
10 **and Emergency Management, who is responsible for the performance**
11 **of the duties, functions and powers of the office.**

12 **“(2) For purposes of administration, subject to the approval of the**
13 **Director of Human Services, the Director of Resilience and Emergency**
14 **Management may organize and reorganize the office as the Director**
15 **of Resilience and Emergency Management considers necessary to**
16 **properly conduct the work of the office.**

17 **“SECTION 3. (1) The Office of Resilience and Emergency Manage-**
18 **ment may assist local governments, as defined in ORS 174.116, and**
19 **tribal governments with evacuations. The office may identify, locate**
20 **and support the evacuation of people, including vulnerable popu-**
21 **lations, who may need advance notice and additional assistance in**
22 **evacuation. The office may communicate the locations of vulnerable**
23 **people and the nature of any special needs to first responders or other**
24 **emergency response personnel to assist in safe and orderly evacu-**
25 **ations.**

26 **“(2) As used in this section, ‘vulnerable populations’ includes,**
27 **without limitation, people who are elderly, people with disabilities or**
28 **other medical or mental health conditions, people with limited English**
29 **proficiency, people with durable medical equipment and people with**
30 **hearing or sight impairments.**

1 **“SECTION 4. (1) The Office of Resilience and Emergency Manage-**
2 **ment may provide, or assist in the provision of, mass care and human**
3 **services as described in this section. In carrying out its functions un-**
4 **der this section, the office may consult with the Oregon Department**
5 **of Emergency Management, local governments as defined in ORS**
6 **174.116, tribal governments and other relevant entities.**

7 **“(2) The office may carry out projects and functions to prevent,**
8 **mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from disruptions affect-**
9 **ing people in this state.**

10 **“(3)(a) The office, in coordination with relevant authorities, may**
11 **provide, or assist in providing, shelter or temporary housing for:**

12 **“(A) People in Oregon displaced from their homes;**

13 **“(B) People who arrive in Oregon seeking asylum or refugee status;**

14 **“(C) People within the repatriation program operated by the United**
15 **States Department of Health and Human Services;**

16 **“(D) People who cannot remain in their housing due to inaccessi-**
17 **bility, damage, poor air quality or other unsuitable environmental**
18 **conditions or loss of utilities such as electrical, water or sewer; and**

19 **“(E) Any other people.**

20 **“(b) To provide, or assist in providing, shelter, temporary housing**
21 **or transitional housing to people, the office may, without limitation:**

22 **“(A) Provide direct support;**

23 **“(B) Provide rental assistance;**

24 **“(C) Assist with dwelling repairs;**

25 **“(D) Provide manufactured housing;**

26 **“(E) Provide emergency group shelter sites;**

27 **“(F) Provide semipermanent and permanent construction;**

28 **“(G) Provide referrals;**

29 **“(H) Identify and provide accessible housing or access to other**
30 **sources of housing assistance; and**

1 **“(I) Collaborate with the Office of Immigrant and Refugee Ad-**
2 **vancement to provide culturally and linguistically responsive support**
3 **for individuals seeking asylum or refugee status.**

4 **“(4) The Office of Resilience and Emergency Management may**
5 **provide, or assist in providing, food and water, including prepared**
6 **meals and foodstuffs:**

7 **“(a) To people who are in shelter;**

8 **“(b) For respite services;**

9 **“(c) To displaced people;**

10 **“(d) To support operations of the Oregon Health Authority; and**

11 **“(e) To any people or communities served by the Department of**
12 **Human Services.**

13 **“(5) The office may provide ice, water, water vessels and related**
14 **equipment to people who are experiencing a shortage of potable water**
15 **due to drought, contamination, temporary disruption of water delivery**
16 **systems or other water supply disruptions.**

17 **“(6) The office may provide hygiene and sanitation services, in-**
18 **cluding, without limitation:**

19 **“(a) Temporary restrooms or shower facilities;**

20 **“(b) Laundry facilities or services;**

21 **“(c) Sewage or wastewater removal;**

22 **“(d) Trash removal; and**

23 **“(e) Personal hygiene kits.**

24 **“(7) The office may deliver emergency first aid and personal care**
25 **services to people in need of such services due to a disruption.**

26 **“(8) The office may provide bulk distribution of emergency items**
27 **to people in need of such items due to a disruption.**

28 **“(9) The office may collect information about people impacted by a**
29 **disruption and provide that information to family members or others**
30 **only for the purposes of safety, family assistance, reunification, re-**

1 **covery, impact assessment for case management and wraparound ser-**
2 **vices.**

3 **“(10) The office may take actions to reunify individuals who have**
4 **been separated or impacted by a disruption.**

5 **“(11) The office may, in collaboration with the State Department**
6 **of Agriculture, support sheltering or temporary housing for household**
7 **pets, support animals and service animals.**

8 **“(12) The office may receive and distribute donated moneys and**
9 **usable donated goods.**

10 **“(13) The office may assist people in becoming prepared, building**
11 **resilience, achieving recovery and making progress toward stability**
12 **and self-sufficiency in relation to disruptions. Such assistance may**
13 **include replacement of personal property impacted by a disruption.**

14 **“(14) The office may assist individuals with identifying and applying**
15 **for local, state or federal benefits or resources.**

16 **“(15) The office may implement or support the implementation of**
17 **an individual assistance program to help people recover from a dis-**
18 **ruption, including:**

19 **“(a) Programs to replace destroyed personal property;**

20 **“(b) Assistance in obtaining loans, food assistance, crisis coun-**
21 **seling, unemployment benefits, legal services or other federal and**
22 **state benefits;**

23 **“(c) Direct financial support to individuals or payments to vendors**
24 **on behalf of individuals; and**

25 **“(d) Support and services for special needs populations.**

26 **“(16) At the request of the United States Department of Health and**
27 **Human Services, the office may provide support for emergency**
28 **repatriation when United States citizens or their dependents are offi-**
29 **cially processed back into the United States under conditions where**
30 **mass care services are required due to a large-scale incident, including**

1 **natural disaster, war or other adverse events.**

2 **“(17) The office may assess community social service needs in**
3 **preparation for and following a disruption, identify areas of critical**
4 **need and individuals with access and functional needs or limited Eng-**
5 **lish proficiency, identify key partners in service delivery and promote**
6 **the independence of community members.**

7 **“(18) The office may provide guidance to local governments, state**
8 **agencies and federal agencies in aiding local and tribal partners in**
9 **providing for the social service needs of communities.**

10 **“(19) The office may assess the impact of a natural, technological**
11 **or human-caused incident and support the stabilization of:**

12 **“(a) Individuals;**

13 **“(b) Local, state, tribal and nongovernmental social service delivery**
14 **systems;**

15 **“(c) Food, shelter and hydration lifelines;**

16 **“(d) Department of Human Services programs, workforce, facilities**
17 **and infrastructure; and**

18 **“(e) Facilities regulated or operated by the department.**

19 **“(20) The office may provide clear and accessible recovery commu-**
20 **nications to communities regarding access to social services.**

21 **“(21) The office may carry out planning, exercises and services re-**
22 **lated to continuity of operations and continuity of government, as di-**
23 **rected by the Director of Human Services or the Governor, including:**

24 **“(a) Support to public or private facilities to support continuity of**
25 **business operations and service delivery; and**

26 **“(b) Support for programs carried out by the department to ensure**
27 **continuity of services for clients, including direct support to clients**
28 **related to disruptions in services.**

29 **“(22) The office may carry out all other human services programs**
30 **and functions delegated to the office or department by or in accord-**

1 **ance with provisions of state or federal law.”.**

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