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**Bill Title:** Relating to emergency volunteers; declaring an emergency.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:** Counties, Department of Human Services, Department of Emergency Management, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Oregon Health Authority, Department of the State Fire Marshal, Cities

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Department of Emergency Management	\$ 32,600	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32,600	-	-
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>\$ 32,600</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 32,600</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Department of Emergency Management	\$ 670,987	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 670,987	2	2.00
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>\$ 670,987</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 670,987</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2.00</b>

**Measure Description**

The measure directs the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC) to transfer the volunteer database known as ORVID to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (ODEM). HECC is required to deliver all records, property, and employees that relate to the ORVID database. The measure also specifies that any unexpended balances authorized to be expended by HECC for the biennium ending June 30, 2027, dedicated to the duties and functions of the ORVID database are to be transferred to ODEM.

Additionally, the measure requires the director of ODEM to notify the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Counsel when the transfer of ORVID is completed. The provisions related to the transfer become operative the day after the notification by the director is completed.

**Fiscal Analysis**

The fiscal impact is estimated to be \$32,600 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium and \$670,987 General Fund and two positions (2.00 FTE) in the 2027-29 biennium.

Oregon Department of Emergency Management

The estimated fiscal impact to ODEM is \$32,600 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium and \$670,987 General Fund and two positions (2.00 FTE) in the 2027-29 biennium.

Currently, HECC manages and oversees the volunteer database under the OregonServes Commission (OSC) within the agency. Under the measure, ODEM would assume management of the database. Utilizing current quotes for the system operations, the costs associated in 2025-27 with the database include the domain license

at \$7,600 per year and organization account set up at \$25,000 for the remainder of the biennium.

In the 2027-29 biennium, ODEM anticipates the need for two additional staff positions to conduct the work of the measure. These positions include one permanent full-time Program Analyst 2 position (1.00 FTE) to coordinate the program, training, and the database, and one permanent full-time Information Specialist 5 position (1.00 FTE) to provide system and software support. The estimated costs of these positions, including position-related services and supplies costs, is \$588,237 General Fund in the 2027-29 biennium. Background checks for an estimated 450 volunteers are anticipated to cost \$17,550. The ongoing costs associated with the database are calculated at \$15,200 for the biennium and an estimated \$250 per user (after 60 users) which would be an estimated \$50,000 per biennium.

#### Higher Education Coordinating Commission

The fiscal impact to HECC is anticipated to be minimal. Currently OSC manages and oversees the volunteer database. While OSC staff has assisted with operations of ORVID, their primary duties fall within other areas. ORVID does not have specific staffing or budget that would be transferred to ODEM as HECC has just absorbed those costs with other resources.

#### Other entities

There is no fiscal impact on the Department of Human Services, Oregon Health Authority, Department of the State Fire Marshall, cities, or counties.

#### **Relevant Dates**

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.