

Enrolled
House Bill 2522

Sponsored by Representatives MARSH, MORGAN, Senator SMITH DB; Representative GOMBERG,
Senator FREDERICK (Pre-session filed.)

CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to plans for responding to fire; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The State Fire Marshal shall:

(a) Establish a Rural Structural Fire Protection Review Committee.

(b) Appoint persons to serve on the committee as soon as practicable after the effective date of this 2023 Act.

(2) The committee:

(a) Shall conduct a comprehensive review of the provisions of ORS chapter 478 that relate to structural fire protection.

(b) May not review provisions of ORS chapter 478 that relate to forestland assessment, field burning or consultation with the State Forestry Department.

(c) Shall, based on the review described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, develop recommendations to modernize and improve the structural fire protection operations of rural fire protection districts and to make the operations more efficient.

(d) Shall report on the review described in paragraph (a) of this subsection and the recommendations described in paragraph (c) of this subsection, in the manner prescribed in ORS 192.245, to one or more relevant committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2024.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2025.

SECTION 3. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage.



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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Dan Rayfield, Speaker of House

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