

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 414

Ordered by the Senate April 16
Including Senate Amendments dated April 16

Sponsored by Senator GORSEK (Presession 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.

[Directs Oregon Business Development Department to study benefits and feasibility of establishing state office of community livability to foster volunteer cleanup efforts. Requires department to submit report of findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2022. Sunsets January 2, 2023.]

Directs Multnomah County to create program for awarding grants to individuals and neighborhood associations for community cleanup projects. Requires county to notify public of information related to each grant award. Requires county to submit report, which may include recommendations for legislation, to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to community livability describing experience of grant program. Appropriates moneys for distribution to county for purposes of grant program.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to community livability; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1)(a) The governing body of Multnomah County shall create a program**
5 **through which the county awards grants to individuals and neighborhood associations for the**
6 **purpose of sponsoring local community cleanup projects.**

7 **(b) The cleanup projects may include picking up garbage with the use of a dumpster, re-**
8 **moval or overpainting of graffiti and any similar activity that restores land and improve-**
9 **ments located in the grant recipient's community.**

10 **(c) To the extent feasible, a grant recipient shall employ applicable principles of crime**
11 **prevention through environmental design in cleanup projects funded with grant moneys un-**
12 **der this section.**

13 **(2) A grant may not be made in an amount greater than \$5,000 per award.**

14 **(3)(a) The governing body of the county shall adopt an application process and notify the**
15 **public of the process adopted, including application submission deadlines and a description**
16 **of the kinds of cleanup projects for which grants may be awarded.**

17 **(b) The county shall notify each applicant of the county's decision to approve or reject**
18 **an application.**

19 **(c) Before disbursing grant award moneys for an approved application, the county and**
20 **the applicant must agree to a reasonable time for completion of the cleanup project and any**
21 **other measures of success the county considers important.**

22 **(d) The county is not required to allow appeals of rejected applications but may consult**
23 **with such applicants and allow for reapplication at any time.**

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 (e) The county shall notify the public of grant awards, including, but not limited to, the
2 recipient of the grant, the cleanup project for which the grant was awarded, the community
3 in which the cleanup project will be conducted, the length of time the cleanup project will
4 require, any disruptions the cleanup project may cause and any other information the county
5 considers important for the public to know.

6 (4)(a) The county shall require each grant recipient, after the cleanup project funded with
7 grant moneys has been completed, to submit a report to the county that demonstrates to the
8 satisfaction of the county that the cleanup project was conducted and completed in sub-
9 stantial compliance with the proposal included in the application for the grant and the terms
10 agreed to under subsection (3)(c) of this section.

11 (b) A grant recipient may apply for another grant only if the county is satisfied with the
12 grant recipient's report submitted under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

13 (c) A grant recipient that does not conduct or complete a cleanup project within a rea-
14 sonable time or to the satisfaction of the county, or that does not submit a report as re-
15 quired under this paragraph, is not eligible for any further grant awards.

16 (d) The report shall be accompanied by a survey of each grant recipient conducted by the
17 county before and after the grant recipient completes the cleanup project to determine how
18 the grant recipient believes the cleanup project improved the community in which it was
19 conducted.

20 (5) The governing body of the county may retain an amount from the moneys distributed
21 to the county under section 2 of this 2021 Act to reimburse the county for the actual costs
22 of administering the grant program.

23 (6) Not later than September 15, 2022, the governing body of the county shall submit a
24 report, in the manner provided under ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the Legis-
25 lative Assembly related to community livability that describes the experience of the county
26 grant program created under this section. The report may include recommendations for
27 legislation, including legislation to expand the grant program.

28 **SECTION 2.** There is appropriated to the Oregon Business Development Department, for
29 the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$100,000 for
30 distribution to the governing body of Multnomah County for carrying out the purposes of
31 section 1 of this 2021 Act.

32 **SECTION 3.** Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2024.

33 **SECTION 4.** This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
34 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect
35 on its passage.

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