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TOMORROW: Special Joint Committee on Coronavirus Response to hold second meeting

SALEM, Ore. – The Special Joint Committee on Coronavirus Response will hold its second public meeting on Friday, March 20 at 1 p.m.

The committee plans to hear invited testimony from OHSU regarding the outbreak and a status update on the state's unified command structure. The committee will then discuss potential ideas for an initial emergency response package.

The committee is tasked with addressing the wide-ranging impacts of the pandemic and will prepare an initial emergency relief package featuring immediate actions to help families, workers and businesses in Oregon. A full agenda for the meeting can be found [here](#).

As announced earlier this week, the Capitol building remains closed to the public until further notice to prevent the spread of coronavirus. Committee members and staff in attendance will follow social distancing guidelines outlined by the CDC. The public and media members can livestream the meeting [here](#).

While speakers are appearing by invitation, the committee welcomes anyone to submit written testimony for the public record by sending it to jscvr.exhibits@oregonlegislature.gov by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24. The committee requests testimony be focused on identifying actions to support

low-income and vulnerable Oregonians and small businesses, as well as timely budget and policy recommendations to the Legislature to accomplish that goal.

The committee first met Wednesday and heard invited testimony from the Governor's office, the Oregon Health Authority, and representatives from the labor and business communities. Video of the first meeting can be found [here](#) and all written testimony submitted to the committee can be found [here](#).

WHAT: Joint Special Committee on Coronavirus Response

WHEN: Friday, March 20 at 1 p.m.

HOW TO WATCH: The public and media members are encouraged to watch the meeting by livestream on OLIS at [this link](#).

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