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Measure Description:

Removes limit on compensation for ordinary services after Department of Veterans' Affairs is appointed conservator.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Veterans' Affairs

Summary of Expenditure Impact for Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs:

Summary of Exp	enditure Impact	
No Expenditure Impact		
Summary of Rev	enue Impact	
	2013-15 Biennium	2015-17 Biennium
General Fund		
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds	260,000	260,000
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$260,000	\$260,000

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

HB 2044 removes a 5 percent limitation for compensation when Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs (ODVA) is appointed conservator, in its place the ODVA may charge "reasonable" compensation, which will be defined by administrative rule. ODVA anticipates raising fees for conservator appointment to 7 percent which represents \$210,000 additional Other Funds (OF) biannually. Additionally ODVA anticipates a slight expansion of the program in areas of 'unusual services' which would increase additional OF revenues \$50,000 biannually.

ODVA currently acts as a conservator for some veterans in specific circumstances, and this measure is not anticipated to substantially impact the number of estates that ODVA may handle; therefore, no additional expenditure impact is assumed as a result of this measure.