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Measure Description:

Establishes the Landscape Construction Professionals Task Force.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Landscape Contractors Board [Semi-Independent Agency], Legislative Administration, Construction Contractors Board

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:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting this measure from the Senate Committee on Business and Transportation to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The bill:

- Changes the number of days a landscape construction professional or landscape contracting business has to ensure that the Landscape Contractors Board receives notice of change of address from no later than the 10th to 30th day after the change of address occurs.
- Modifies the Board's handling of civil penalties, and enforcement cases for licensed and unlicensed individuals.
- Eliminates the Landscape Contractors Board's continuing education program

In addition, the bill establishes the Landscape Construction Professional Task Force charged with reviewing the licensure examination requirements for landscape construction professionals, and making recommendations to the State Landscape Contractors Board on any changes to administrative rules or state statutes needed to ensure that licensure examinations are designed to demonstrate that the applicant has the necessary knowledge and skills to exercise the responsibilities of a landscape construction professional. The task force is also charged with considering whether the State Landscape Contractors Board should have its power transferred to the Construction Contractors Board. The task force sunsets on the convening of the 2015 Legislative Assembly.

Further Analysis Required

This bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact on the Landscape Contractors Board, Legislative Administration, and the Construction Contractors Board. The full impact of this bill is still being determined. A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.