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Measure Description:

Establishes the Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Secretary of State (SOS)

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:

Senate Bill 75 with the – 3 amendment establishes the 17-member Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform charged with conducting an analysis and identifying methods to address campaign finance reforms. The task force is required to submit a report to an interim committee of the legislature by December 31, 2015. The task force sunsets July 2, 2017.

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC)

Committee Services is required to provide staff support to the task force, and reimburse task force members. Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

Secretary of State (SOS)

The Secretary of State is required to chair the task force. This fiscal assumes that participation on the task force will have minimal impact on the Secretary of State. The agency anticipates reprioritizing duties and responsibilities of existing staff to allow participation on the task force.