

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 431 - A4

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Measure Description:

Creates urban flood safety and water quality district in portion of Multnomah County within urban growth boundary adopted by Metro, for purposes of acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, operating and maintaining infrastructure in order to provide for flood safety and contribute to water quality, floodplain restoration and habitat and landscape resilience.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Metro, Cities, Counties, Office of the Governor, Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Water Resources Department (WRD), Department of Revenue (DOR)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

The legislation establishes the creation of an urban flood safety and water quality district within the urban growth boundary of Multnomah County for the purpose of acquiring, purchasing, constructing, improving, operating, and maintaining works that are specified by the legislation.

The fiscal impact to the following state agencies and local governments is anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgetary parameters: Department of Revenue, Water Resources Department, Office of the Governor, cities, and counties.

The fiscal impact to the Judicial Department is indeterminate at this time but may have a concentrated impact on Multnomah Circuit Court workload associated with allowing any elector or owner of land, within the district, to file a lawsuit for judicial examination and judgment of the court related to any proceeding that the district’s board of directors may bring. It is currently unknown if or how many of these potential lawsuits could arise as a result of this legislation; however court fees are assumed to cover these costs unless the number and complexity of the cases become excessive.