

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 1037

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Measure Description:

Establishes Transformational Resilience Task Force.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Assembly

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate but anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

SB 1037 establishes the 18-member Transformational Resilience Task Force. The task force is charged with using survey data, statistical data, testimonies, and anecdotal data to evaluate and quantify the effects on (including short- and long-term impacts on life and life outcomes) and costs to individuals and groups facing natural and human-caused disasters, including earthquakes, tsunamis, wildfires, smoke intrusion, wind, rain and snow storms, floods, droughts, heat waves, sea level rise and storm surges, new illnesses and diseases, community violence, school violence, and family trauma. The task force is required to evaluate and quantify the costs of a lack of emotional and psychosocial resilience education and skills training for disaster preparedness and response to various sectors of Oregon including the mental health, physical health, social service, education, law enforcement, and business sectors. The measure directs the task force to make recommendations on how to expand emotional and psychosocial resilience education and skills training to ensure that all Oregonians have access to such education and training by 2025. The task force must report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by May 2, 2022. The task force sunsets on June 30, 2022.

The fiscal impact of this bill on the state is indeterminate but anticipated to be minimal. Although the measure directs the Senate Majority Leader, the Senate Minority Leader, the Speaker of the House, and the House Minority Leader to appoint the 18 members of the task force, it does not specify if the appointments will be from the Legislature, private citizens, or state employees. Assuming two legislative members are appointed to the task force, the cost to the Legislative Assembly is expected to be minimal. Non-legislative members of the task force serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement of expenses. The measure stipulates that the task force may not request or accept funding from the state for its operations. However, the measure also authorizes the task force to seek and accept funding, staff support, and other resources for its operation from Trauma Informed Oregon at Portland State University.

Note that the Legislature allocates funds to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to promote statewide awareness of the health and social impacts of early life trauma and to strengthen state-wide trauma informed care resources and prevention efforts. OHA contracts with Portland State University, in partnership with Oregon Health & Science University, to coordinate the Trauma Informed Oregon collaborative at Portland State University.