

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 28 - A

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Measure Description:

Increases fees related to tourist facilities, public spas, pools and bathhouses, bed and breakfasts, restaurants and vending machines and for plan review for restaurant construction or remodeling.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), local county public health authorities

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

SB 28 authorizes increases to the statutory statewide marker fees related to the licensing and inspection of tourist facilities, public spas, pools and bathhouses, bed and breakfasts, restaurants, and vending machines, as well as for plan review for restaurant construction and remodeling. The bill declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

The fiscal impact of this measure to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and local county health authorities is indeterminate, but anticipated be minimal, depending on the likelihood and frequency that a local county public health authority would transfer licensing and inspection authority to OHA. Although most inspections are performed by local county public health authorities, OHA conducts inspections when a county transfers public health authority to OHA. In the event a local county public health authority transfers authority for mandatory public health functions to OHA, these fees would cover OHA's costs to deliver environmental health and safety services in the county. Because current marker fees have not been increased since 2003, current fees are not sufficient to cover OHA's costs to carry out the required work. These increases are meant to update the fee schedule and are based on an analysis of state-wide average costs related to inspections and licensing services currently charged by counties.