

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: HB 2787**81st Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2021 Regular Session
Legislative Fiscal Office***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official***Prepared by: Haylee Morse-Miller
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Date: March 31, 2021**Measure Description:**

Directs Department of Environmental Quality, in consultation with State Department of Agriculture, to study laws related to permitting of animal rendering facilities and provide results of study in report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$211,786	\$0
Total Funds	\$211,786	\$0
Positions	1	0
FTE	0.25	0.00

Analysis:

HB 2787 directs the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in consultation with the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to study laws related to the permitting of animal rendering facilities in Oregon and to make recommendations for legislation. DEQ is to provide the results of the study in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2022.

DEQ notes that this is a new subject area for the agency. While the bulk of the study is expected to be done through a third-party contract, DEQ also anticipates needing one limited-duration, part-time Operations and Policy Analyst 3 (0.25 FTE in 2021-23) to perform research and analysis, and evaluate the findings of the study in order to provide the required report to the Legislature. The total cost of the study is estimated at \$150,000 General Fund, while position costs are estimated at \$61,786 General Fund.

ODA assumes a minimal fiscal impact for work related to this measure. ODA's Animal Health Program licenses rendering plants in Oregon and issues animal disposal licenses. There are currently six licensed rendering plants and 11 animal disposal/transport licensees.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means due to its budgetary impact.