

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

Measure: HB 4051 - A4

81st Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2022 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed  
Versions are Considered Official***Prepared by: Michael Graham  
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Date: February 21, 2022**Measure Description:**

Extends sunset of Task Force on Homelessness and Racial Disparities until January 2, 2026. Makes a one-time General Fund appropriation to the Housing and Community Services Department.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD), Cities, Counties

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:****Housing and Community Services Department**

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
<b>General Fund</b>		
Services and Supplies	362,977	688,769
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$362,977</b>	<b>\$688,769</b>

**Analysis:**

House Bill 4051 A-engrossed, as modified by the -A4 amendments, extends the sunset date for the Task Force on Homelessness and Racial Disparities from July 1, 2022, to January 2, 2026. The task force must provide a report identifying implementation pathways for changes to the state’s funding structure, modifications for contracting processes, and solutions regarding eligibility and funding of services for individuals experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity. The task force shall submit an interim report by September 15, 2022 and a final report by March 31, 2023 to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly and the Oregon Housing Stability Council. The measure makes a one-time appropriation of \$362,977 General Fund to the Housing and Community Services Department in the 2021-23 biennium for professional services costs of the task force.

The measure extends the date, from July 1, 2022 to July 1, 2023, by which a local government must approve an application for development of land for an emergency shelter, subject to other statutory terms and conditions. The measure also clarifies that a local government must allow affordable housing and may not require a zone change or conditional use permit for property that is owned by a public body or nonprofit corporation organized as a religious corporation, or property that is zoned for commercial use, to allow religious assembly, or as public land. The measure takes effect 91 days after adjournment *sine die*.

**Housing and Community Services Department**

The measure extends the sunset date for the Task Force on Homelessness and Racial Disparities for an additional 42 months, which HCSD is required to provide monthly staff and facilitation support, in addition to new work or processes the task force recommends. While HCSD will continue to use existing staff and absorb these duties, HCSD has already contracted with a third-party facilitator, ICF Incorporated (ICF), at a cost of \$447,038 for a seven-month duration, ending June 15, 2022, to provide design, facilitation, and other services, including a report to the Legislative Assembly. Extending the sunset date of the task force will require HCSD to extend its contract with ICF. Due to the

limited nature of the original task force, HCSD used existing funds to pay for the initial contract with ICF. With this extension, however, HCSD is not able to absorb all of the additional costs; thus, the measure makes a one-time appropriation to HCSD of \$362,977 General Fund in the 2021-23 biennium for professional services costs to support the work of the task force.

The estimated total fiscal impact to HCSD in the 2023-25 biennium is \$688,769 General Fund, for which HCSD may need to request additional General Fund as part of its 2023-25 agency budget request to continue to support the work of the task force.

**Cities and Counties**

Local governments may experience a fiscal impact depending on whether an emergency shelter/navigation center allowed under this measure is established in their jurisdiction, whether other assistance is provided, and whether additional public safety responses are required, but any such potential impact is indeterminate at this time.