

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: HB 3321 - 1**

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**Measure Description:**

Directs Oregon Health Authority to study small community water systems.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority, Department of Environmental Quality, Department of Administrative Services, Counties

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

	<b>2023-25 Biennium</b>	<b>2025-27 Biennium</b>
<b>Department of Administrative Services</b>		
<b>General Fund</b>		
Special Payments	\$2,500,000	\$0
<b>Total Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>\$2,500,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<i>Total Positions</i>	0	0
<i>Total FTE</i>	0.00	0.00

**Analysis:**

HB 3321-1 appropriates \$2,500,000 General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for the 2023-25 biennium to contract with the Oregon Association of Water Utilities to:

- Perform or subcontract to perform a study of the vulnerabilities and needs of small and very small community systems.
  - Consult with the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), the Water Resources Department, county environmental health departments and county emergency managers to determine the parameters of the study.
  - Collect any related data or information from OHA, DEQ and the Water Resources Department as directed by the measure.
  - Submit the results of the study to the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2024.
- Design and construct a water utility training center.
- Hire and employ one training specialist and two technical assistance providers to address the identified needs and vulnerabilities.

DAS is able to absorb any additional costs for contracting with the Oregon Association of Water Utilities and expending funds.

There is a minimal fiscal impact to counties, the Water Resources Department and DEQ and no fiscal impact to the Oregon Health Authority.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State’s General Fund.