FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Authorizes the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office, Commission on Hispanic Affairs, Commission on Black Affairs, Commission for Women, and Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs to each employ paid interns and the staff necessary to supervise them.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

House Bill 3313, as amended by the -2 amendments, authorizes the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office (OACO), the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, the Commission on Black Affairs, the Commission for Women, and the Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs to employ paid interns and the staff necessary to supervise them. The measure includes an unspecified General Fund appropriation to OACO in the 2023-25 biennium for the purpose of employing paid interns. The measure takes effect on passage.

The measure is anticipated to have a fiscal impact on OACO; however, the impact is indeterminate. While the measure authorizes OACO and the other commissions to employ paid interns and necessary support staff, the fiscal impact to OACO will depend on the amount of General Fund appropriated to OACO, which supports the other commissions.

Subject to available funding, OACO estimates that each commission would hire one part-time, paid intern, for a total of five paid interns (2.20 FTE), and one full-time Operations and Policy Analyst 3 position (0.88 FTE) to supervise the interns, for a total of six positions (3.08 FTE). Assuming a start date of October 1, 2023, for all six positions, the estimated cost of these positions, including related services and supplies, is \$617,931 General Fund in 2023-25 and \$690,217 General Fund in 2025-27.

The measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its impact to the State's General Fund and OACO's biennial budget.