

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 643 - A

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Measure Description:

Modifies provisions relating to sales of homemade foods.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority, Department of Agriculture, Counties

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

SB 643 - A changes the qualifying exemptions from ORS 616.695 to 616.755 for food establishments. These sections of statute relate to sanitary regulations for food and food establishments. Under this measure, the annual gross sales of food prepared at an exempt food establishment is increased from \$20,000 to \$50,000, which is to be adjusted annually by the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA). Food establishments may also request a unique identification number from ODA to use on food labels, in place of the address of the food establishment. ODA may charge a fee for the costs of administering the unique identification number requirements.

The overall fiscal impact of this measure is anticipated to be minimal. ODA would have some absorbable costs related to rulemaking in the 2023-25 biennium, estimated at around \$25,000 Other Funds. The agency also anticipates that there will be a reduction in Other Funds revenue from licensing fees for food items that would now be exempt from licensing requirements under this measure. The agency estimates a revenue loss of approximately \$20,000 to \$30,000 per biennium, though the total loss of revenue is indeterminate at this time.

ODA may have a slight increase in revenue if the agency charges fees related to the unique identification number requirements; these fees would be subject to Legislative ratification.

There is no fiscal impact for Counties or the Oregon Health Authority.