

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 3173

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Legislative Fiscal Office

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Tribal Consultation and specifies task force membership.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Burns Paiute Tribe, Commission on Indian Services, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Klamath Tribes, Legislative Assembly, Task Force/Committee/Workgroup, Office of the Governor

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

HB 3173 creates the 15-member Task Force on Tribal Consultation which is to identify and clarify the requirements of state agencies to engage in tribal consultation. The task force is to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly related to government no later than September 15, 2024. Members of the task force who are not members of the Legislative Assembly are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses and serve as volunteers on the task force. The bill directs the Office of the Governor to provide staff support for the task force, and the task force sunsets on December 31, 2024. The measure takes effect on the 91st day after the Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

Legislative Assembly

The bill is expected to have a minimal impact on the Legislative Assembly. Two members of the task force will be legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. Meetings are set by the chairperson and it is unknown how often the task force would meet. However, assuming that the task force meets eight times during the approximate 12-month period until its report is due September 15, 2024, the estimated per diem and travel reimbursement costs will total \$4,500. This amount includes the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) tax, assumes the per diem remains at \$157 per day, and estimates an average mileage of 171 miles at the current rate of \$0.655 per mile. This estimate could change based on the number of meetings held. The task force would not incur additional costs to the Legislative Assembly budget if the meetings are held at the Capitol building during the Legislative Session, or Task Force or Legislative Days.

Although the 2023-25 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committees and task forces, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2023-25 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

Office of the Governor

The Office of the Governor is directed to provide staff support to the Task Force, work which can be absorbed using existing resources.

Legislative Commission on Indian Services

This measure is anticipated to have a minimal impact for the Legislative Commission on Indian Services.

Federally recognized Tribes in Oregon

This measure is anticipated to have a minimal impact for the nine federally recognized Tribes in Oregon.