FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION



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Bill Title: Relating to wildfire; prescribing an effective date; providing for revenue raising that requires approval by a three-fifths majority.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Revenue, Special Districts Association of Oregon, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Cities, Counties, Department of Forestry, Judicial Department

Summary of Fiscal Impact

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This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Revenue to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

This measure establishes the State Forestry Department Large Wildfire Fund. The measure changes the composition and duties of the Emergency Fire Cost Committee to include reviewing expenditures from the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund, and review of budgets for forest protection districts. The Committee may employ staff, in coordination with the State Forester. Additionally, allowable uses of moneys in the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund, and annual expenditure limits, are changed. The State Forester is directed to request a General Fund appropriation for costs associated with wildfire protection and emergency fire fighting costs as part of the Agency Request Budget process.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required