

SB 124 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Finance and Revenue

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Provides an additional estate tax exemption of an amount to be determined. Directs the Department of Revenue to determine an annual cost-of-living adjustment. Applies to estates of decedents who die on or after January 1, 2026. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Since 2012, Oregon estate tax returns are required from resident taxpayers with gross estate value of \$1 million or more, or from nonresidents with real or tangible property in Oregon and gross estate value of \$1 million or more. After deductions including funeral expenses, debt, and bequests to a spouse or charity, \$1 million of taxable estate value is exempt from the Oregon estate tax.

The measure would add an additional exemption left blank in the bill as a placeholder that will be filled by amendment if the bill is moved out of committee. The measure also describes an annual cost-of-living adjustment based on the Consumer Price Index.