FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION



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Bill Title: Relating to reliable forest management outcomes; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Forestry, Judicial Department

Summary of Fiscal Impact

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The measure directs the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) to determine and periodically adjust the sustainable timber harvest level for available state forestland, under the authority of the State Board of Forestry. A harvest level must be adopted at least once every 10 years, or when a material change in management or land condition occurs. The harvest level must account for land condition, applicable state and federal legal requirements, and any previously unharvested timber. An initial sustainable timber harvest level must be adopted by July 1, 2026. The measure allows for judicial enforcement if ODF fails to adopt or implement the harvest level. An unspecified amount of General Fund is appropriated to ODF for this purpose in the 2025-27 biennium.

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

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