

## **Open Government Impact Statement**

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Measure: HJR 2

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## SUMMARY

Digest: The measure would change the rules for when state government must pay for local mandates. Requires voter approval. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.8).

Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to change the requirements governing when the State of Oregon must appropriate or allocate sufficient moneys to pay for new or newly expanded programs that state laws, rules or orders require local governments to provide. Expands the definition of "local government" to include special districts. Eliminates some exceptions to required state funding, including an exception when the Legislative Assembly enacts the mandate by at least a three-fifths majority vote. Establishes new exceptions for programs and expansions that enhance public meeting or public record transparency or that permit new protections, rights, benefits or programs governing the employment status of local government employees, retirees or local government employee organizations to be adopted without corresponding funding.

Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election.

## NOTICE OF <u>NO OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT</u>