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Bill Title: Relating to housing.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:** Housing and Community Services Department, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Burns Paiute Tribe, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Klamath Tribes, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians

# **Summary of Fiscal Impact**

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Housing and Community Services							
Department	\$ 12,767,376	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$ 12,767,376	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 12,767,376	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,767,376	-	-

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Housing and Community Services							
Department	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	\$-	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

• The fiscal impact does not include duplicative Other Funds expenditure limitation necessary to expend General Fund revenue deposited by the measure into the Tribal Housing Grant Fund. Increased Other Funds expenditure limitation will be needed to properly budget for the impact of the measure if it is adopted.

## **Measure Description**

The measure directs the Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD) to make grants to federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon for the purpose of providing affordable housing, rental assistance, down payment and homeownership assistance, emergency housing assistance, and other actions to address homelessness in tribal communities. To be eligible for a grant, a tribe must submit a housing plan to HCSD that complies with program guidelines. HCSD shall award grants on a regular basis and shall apportion grants to each eligible tribe based on a formula developed by HCSD. Tribal grant recipients must report to HCSD on their use of the funds, as prescribed by HCSD.

The measure establishes the Tribal Housing Grant Fund, which is continuously appropriated to HCSD to award and administer grants to eligible tribal grant recipients. The measure appropriates \$12.8 million General Fund to HCSD in the 2025-27 biennium for deposit into the Tribal Housing Grant Fund.

## **Fiscal Analysis**

The measure appropriates \$12.8 million General Fund to HCSD to support tribal homelessness programs and services, which is reflected in Policy Option Package 506 in the 2025-27 Governor's Budget. The program will

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require HCSD staff to provide regular, ongoing support to tribal grant recipients. HCSD staff will award and track an estimated nine grant distributions, manage program spending, and receive regular reports from tribal grant recipients. HCSD developed program criteria and processes in response to one-time funding in the 2023-25 biennium, and has existing staff resources devoted to this program, so no additional staff will be needed. However, HCSD would need increased Other Funds expenditure limitation in the 2025-27 biennium to administer the program and award grants. Depending on whether grant distributions are exhausted, HCSD may require increased Other Funds expenditure limitation in the 2027-29 biennium as well.

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on the nine federally recognized Indian tribes in Oregon, as the tribes would only incur a fiscal impact to the extent that they apply for and are awarded grants. However, assuming most if not all tribes would participate in the program, the tribes would need to prepare housing plans and report to HCSD on their use of the grant funds.

## **Relevant Dates**

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on July 1, 2025.