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Bill Title: Relating to funding for rodeo repairs.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Business Development Department, Department of Revenue

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Business Development							
Department	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	2	1.00
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 5,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000,000	2	1.00

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Business Development							
Department	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

Measure Description

The measure directs the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) to develop and administer a program for awarding grants to community-based rodeo organizations for eligible capital expenses. The program will be open to any rodeo organization based in a community with a population of 12,000 or less. A grant award may not exceed \$250,000 per organization, and it may only be used for capital projects on existing rodeo property and purchases of capital equipment for capital projects. OBDD shall prescribe an application process, including application forms and deadlines, for this grant program.

If a rodeo organization uses the grant moneys for an unauthorized purpose, the organization shall be liable to repay the grant moneys in full. Grant moneys required to be repaid shall be considered liquidated and delinquent debt, which OBDD shall assign to the Department of Revenue (DOR) for collection. OBDD may also impose a penalty not to exceed 20% of the principal grant amount for any materially false statement, omission, or misrepresentation. All amounts repaid to OBDD or DOR shall be transferred to OBDD, except for amounts that DOR retains for the cost of collection.

Fiscal Analysis

The measure requires OBDD to develop and administer a one-time grant program for rodeos located in communities of 12,000 or less. OBDD anticipates that most of the programmatic work will occur and be completed in calendar year 2026. To meet the administrative requirements within the programmatic timelines of the measure, OBDD will need one limited-duration Program Analyst 3 position (0.75 FTE) to develop the program, provide technical assistance to applicants, determine award eligibility, administer applications and awards, and manage program records; and one limited-duration Accountant Technician position (0.25 FTE) to

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support the financial management of the program. The total estimated cost of these two positions, including position-related services and supplies, is \$317,157 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium.

Because the measure takes effect in January 2026 and sunsets in January 2027, OBDD has only one year to develop the grant program, adopt rules, and solicit applications in advance of evaluating proposals and awarding grants. To complete this program before the sunset date, OBDD has indicated that it will hire the Program Analyst 3 position in October 2025 (i.e., prior to the measure's effective date) with existing funding; and once the measure takes effect, OBDD will then recoup the cost of funding that position from the \$5 million appropriation in the measure. OBDD will distribute the remaining \$4.7 million as grant awards to approximately 18 eligible rodeos. Grant award contracting and program oversight will be accomplished using existing resources. The measure will not have a fiscal impact on OBDD in the 2027-29 biennium.

The measure is not anticipated to have a fiscal impact on DOR.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect on January 1, 2026. Therefore, the \$5 million General Fund appropriation in the measure will not be effective until January 1, 2026.

The grant program established by this measure sunsets on January 2, 2027.

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