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Bill Title: Relating to farmworker disaster relief.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Oregon Health Authority, Department of Emergency Management

Summary of Fiscal Impact

2025-27 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Health Authority	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	-	-

2027-29 Biennium	General Fund	Lottery Funds	Other Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds	Positions	FTE
Oregon Health Authority	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-
Total Fiscal Impact	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-

- Grant funding is assumed to be one-time only.

Measure Description

The measure appropriates \$10 million General Fund to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to establish a farmworker disaster relief program that offers financial assistance to farmworkers who experience a loss of income or wages due to a qualifying disaster. OHA must contract with a worker relief organization to distribute the financial support. The measure grants OHA the authority to adopt rules establishing application procedures.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is \$10 million General Fund. OHA’s Community Partnership and Outreach Program (CPOP) will contract with a worker relief organization to distribute grant funding and provide any needed program coordination or support. The number and amount of individual grant awards is indeterminate at this time as the measure is silent on the time period for an eligible disaster and on the calculation of grant awards. Grant funding is assumed to be one-time only, should the program continue at current funding levels, OHA would need an estimated \$13.3 million General Fund in 2027-29. While implementation of the measure may require additional outreach, engagement and program coordination, OHA can absorb this workload with existing staff.

The measure has no fiscal impact on the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect on January 1, 2026.