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Bill Title: Relating to the labeling of alternative protein food products.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Department of Agriculture, Judicial Department, Department of Justice

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

| 2025-27 Biennium | General Fund | Lottery Funds | Other Funds | Federal Funds | Total Funds | Positions | FTE |
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| Oregon Department of Agriculture | \$ 212,047 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 212,047 | 1 | 0.50 |
| Total Fiscal Impact | \$ 212,047 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 212,047 | 1 | 0.50 |

| 2027-29 Biennium | General Fund | Lottery Funds | Other Funds | Federal Funds | Total Funds | Positions | FTE |
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| Oregon Department of Agriculture | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | - | - |
| Total Fiscal Impact | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | - | - |

Measure Description

The measure classifies fabricated-egg and manufactured-protein food products made with plant-based, insect-based, or lab grown proteins, as misbranded if their labels use identifying terms associated with eggs or meat, without including, in close proximity, clear language, disclosing that the product is not made from eggs or meat.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact for the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) is estimated to be \$212,047 General Fund in the 2025-27 biennium and there is no fiscal impact in the 2027-29 biennium. ODA will conduct licensee outreach and education efforts related to the new standards in the measure. ODA will also conduct rulemaking for product label requirements for fabricated-egg and manufactured-protein food products, including when those products are misbranded. The fiscal impact includes a one-time cost of \$50,000 to conduct rulemaking and a one-time cost of \$10,000 to develop outreach materials.

To ensure licensees are educated and aware of compliance requirements, ODA will need one full-time, limited duration Natural Resource Specialist 4 (Sanitarian) position (0.50 FTE) in the 2025-27 biennium. This position will aid existing staff in the Food Safety Program by maintaining licensee facility inspection requirements. The estimated cost of this position, including position-related services and supplies, is \$152,047. The position will be phased out at the end of the 2025-27 biennium.

Other entities

There is minimal fiscal impact for the Oregon Judicial Department and Department of Justice.

Relevant Dates

The measure takes effect on January 1, 2027.