

HB 4002-4  
(LC 230)  
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Requested by Representative FAHEY

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 4002**

1       On page 1 of the printed bill, delete lines 5 through 18 and delete pages  
2       2 and 3 and insert:

3       **“SECTION 1.** ORS 173.130 is amended to read:

4       “173.130. (1)(a) The Legislative Counsel shall prepare or assist in the  
5       preparation of legislative measures when requested to do so by a member or  
6       committee of the Legislative Assembly.

7       “(b)(A) A member of the Legislative Assembly may not ask the  
8       Legislative Counsel to prepare more than 30 legislative measures for  
9       a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-  
10      numbered year.

11      “(B) A committee of the Legislative Assembly may not ask the  
12      Legislative Counsel to prepare more than 10 legislative measures for  
13      a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-  
14      numbered year, except that a committee may request up to an addi-  
15      tional five measures each of which is at the request of the committee  
16      chair and a member of the minority party who is also a member of the  
17      committee.

18      “(C) In addition to the measures described in subparagraph (A) of  
19      this paragraph, for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that  
20      begins in an odd-numbered year, the President of the Senate may re-  
21      quest an additional 15 measures that will be Senate bills or Senate

1 joint resolutions and an additional 20 measures that will be Senate  
2 resolutions or Senate concurrent resolutions.

3       **“(D) In addition to the measures described in subparagraph (B) of**  
4 **this paragraph, for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that**  
5 **begins in an odd-numbered year, the House Committee on Rules may**  
6 **request an additional 15 measures that will be House bills or House**  
7 **joint resolutions and an additional 20 measures that will be House re-**  
8 **solutions or House concurrent resolutions.**

9       **“(E) In addition to the measures described in subparagraph (B) of**  
10 **this paragraph, for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that**  
11 **begins in an odd-numbered year, the Senate Committee on Finance**  
12 **and Revenue and the House Committee on Revenue may each request**  
13 **an additional 15 measures.**

14       **“(c) The limitations of paragraph (b) of this subsection do not apply**  
15 **to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means**

16       **“(2)(a) Upon the written request of a state agency, the Legislative Coun-**  
17 **sel may prepare or assist in the preparation of legislative measures that have**  
18 **been approved for preparation in writing by the Governor or the Governor’s**  
19 **designated representative. The Legislative Counsel may also prepare or assist**  
20 **in the preparation of legislative measures that are requested in writing by**  
21 **the Judicial Department, the Governor, the Secretary of State, the State**  
22 **Treasurer, the Attorney General or the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor**  
23 **and Industries. In accordance with ORS 283.110, the Legislative Counsel may**  
24 **charge the agency or officer for the services performed.**

25       **“(b)(A) The Governor and state agencies may not ask the Legisla-**  
26 **tive Counsel to prepare more than a combined total of 100 legislative**  
27 **measures for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins**  
28 **in an odd-numbered year.**

29       **“(B) The limit imposed by this paragraph does not include legisla-**  
30 **tive measures requested by the Oregon Department of Administrative**

1 Services to implement the fiscal recommendations of the Governor  
2 contained in the budget report of the Governor.

3 “(C) As used in this subsection, ‘state agency’ means a board,  
4 commission, department, division, office or other entity of the execu-  
5 tive department, as that term is defined in ORS 174.112, but does not  
6 include a state agency subject to paragraph (c) or (d) of this sub-  
7 section.

8 “(c)(A) The Secretary of State may not ask the Legislative Counsel  
9 to prepare more than 10 legislative measures for a regular session of  
10 the Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year.

11 “(B) The State Treasurer may not ask the Legislative Counsel to  
12 prepare more than 10 legislative measures for a regular session of the  
13 Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year.

14 “(C) The Attorney General may not ask the Legislative Counsel to  
15 prepare more than 10 legislative measures for a regular session of the  
16 Legislative Assembly that begins in an odd-numbered year.

17 “(D) The Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries may  
18 not ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare more than 10 legislative  
19 measures for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins  
20 in an odd-numbered year.

21 “(d) The Judicial Department, as defined in ORS 174.113, may not  
22 ask the Legislative Counsel to prepare more than 10 legislative meas-  
23 ures for a regular session of the Legislative Assembly that begins in  
24 an odd-numbered year.

25 “(3) The Legislative Counsel shall give such consideration to and service  
26 concerning any measure or other legislative matter before the Legislative  
27 Assembly as is requested by the House of Representatives, the Senate or any  
28 committee of the Legislative Assembly that has the measure or other matter  
29 under consideration.

30 “(4) The Legislative Counsel, pursuant to the policies and directions of

1 the Legislative Counsel Committee and in conformity with any applicable  
2 rules of the House of Representatives or Senate, shall perform or cause to  
3 be performed research service requested by any member or committee of the  
4 Legislative Assembly in connection with the performance of legislative  
5 functions. Research assignments made by joint or concurrent resolution of  
6 the Legislative Assembly shall be given priority over other research requests  
7 received by the Legislative Counsel. The research service to be performed  
8 includes the administrative services incident to the accomplishment of the  
9 research requests or assignments.

10       “(5) The Legislative Counsel shall give an opinion in writing upon any  
11 question of law in which the Legislative Assembly or any member or com-  
12 mittee of the Legislative Assembly may have an interest when the Legisla-  
13 tive Assembly or any member or committee of the Legislative Assembly  
14 requests the opinion. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section and  
15 ORS 173.135, the Legislative Counsel shall not give opinions or provide other  
16 legal services to persons or agencies other than the Legislative Assembly and  
17 members and committees of the Legislative Assembly.

18       “(6) The Legislative Counsel may enter into contracts to carry out the  
19 functions of the Legislative Counsel.

20       **“SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 173.130 by section 1 of this**  
21 **2026 Act apply to requests for legislative measures for the 2027 regular**  
22 **session of the Legislative Assembly and to requests for legislative**  
23 **measures for subsequent odd-numbered year regular sessions.**

24       **“SECTION 3. This 2026 Act being necessary for the immediate**  
25 **preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is**  
26 **declared to exist, and this 2026 Act takes effect on its passage.”**

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