REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION Seventy-Sixth Oregon Legislative Assembly 2012 Regular Session Legislative Revenue Office

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Measure Description:

Clarifies that a company that is an owner or lessee of a data center is not centrally assessed property under ORS 308.515 if certain conditions are met. The conditions are that the company has invested in a data center or related property, the property is part of an enterprise zone agreement and the data center investment represents more than 95% of total property owned in the state. Applies to property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2012.

Revenue Impact: Indeterminate

Impact Explanation: This bill could potentially affect the property tax liability of data transmission companies that construct data center facilities in one of the enterprise zones located around the state in the future compared to current law. However, given the ambiguity of current law and the recent issuance of a temporary rule (150-308.503(3) by the Department of Revenue defining data transmission services, any future revenue impact of this bill is considered indeterminate.

Creates, Extends, or Expands Tax Expenditure: No

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