2007 Regular Legislative Session FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: HB 5051 STATUS: Original

SUBJECT: Authorizes fee set administratively by the Water Resources Department.

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Water Resources Department

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DATE: March 21, 2007

<u>2007-09</u> <u>2009-11</u>

REVENUES: See Comments

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2007

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

COMMENTS: ORS 291.055(1)(e) requires all new state agency fees or fee increases adopted after July 1 of any odd-numbered year to be rescinded on July 1 unless authorized by enabling legislation setting forth the approved fees. This bill provides the enabling legislation necessary to approve a new fee adopted through Administrative Rule by the Water Resources Department during the 2005-07 interim. The new fee is for changes made to ground water certificates issued prior to adoption of the 1955 state ground water code. The Department received authorization to charge a fee up to \$500 in HB 2123 (2005). The fees are anticipated to create about \$85,000 in revenue during the 2007-09 biennium. The 2007-09 budget assumes the continuation of the revenue from the fees included in this bill.