

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

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 88

STATUS: Original

SUBJECT: Repeals sunset on well constructor's license and fee structure, and continuing education requirement

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Water Resources Department

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DATE: January 30, 2007

	<u>2007-2009</u>	<u>2009-2011</u>
EXPENDITURES:		

REVENUES:

POSITIONS / FTE:

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2008

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: This bill would remove the sunset on well contractor's license and fee structure, and continuing education requirements. Amendments to ORS 537.747 made by the 2001 Legislature changed the Water Resources Department's well contractor's license and fee structure from a one or five year license with corresponding fees of \$50 or \$200, to a single, two year license with a related fee of \$150. Continuing education requirements were also added. On January 2, 2008 the department will to revert to the licensing, fee and continuing education requirement structures in place prior to 2001. This would result in \$23,000 in lost revenues. Lost revenues would likely impact staffing levels and result in a backlog forming in the program.

If enacted, the bill maintains current operational practices and services with no fiscal impact.