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

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 339 **STATUS:** Original **SUBJECT:** Emergency preparedness statement in state voters' pamphlet

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Secretary of State; Office of Emergency Management

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EXPENDITURES: See Comments.

REVENUES: See Comments.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2008

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is not 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: The measure would allow the Director of the Office of Emergency Management (OEM) (Director) to file a statement on emergency preparedness with the Secretary of State (Secretary), to be included in the state voters' pamphlet. The published statement size would be limited to no more than 60 square inches.

In addition to required election-related information, current law allows the filing of statements by candidates, statewide and less than statewide political parties or assemblies, and for initiative and referendum statements and arguments for inclusion in the voters' pamphlet. The statements may be no more than 30 square inches in size. Filing fees vary by category; fees are deposited to the General Fund and do not cover the full cost of publishing and distributing the state voters' pamphlet.

The measure does not provide authority for the Secretary to charge the Director a filing fee. Based on actual recent costs of voters' pamphlets, the Secretary estimates the value of a full-page statement (60 square inches) in a primary election voters' pamphlet to be \$10,545, and \$6,010 for the general election.

The budgets for OEM's publicity and publications in the 2003-05 and 2005-07 biennia have been less than \$2,000 and \$1,000 General Fund, respectively.