

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

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 417

STATUS: A-Engrossed

SUBJECT: Abolishes the Land Country boundary commission.

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Lane County, Cities in Lane County, and Secretary of State

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DATE: April 4, 2007

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 bill abolishes the Lane County boundary commission and transfers funds, rights and obligations of the commission to Lane County. The bill transfers commission records to the State Archives, provides for distribution of abolished commission moneys, and authorizes Lane County to assess and collect charges to meet transferred liabilities or obligations.

The State Archivist understands that the volume of records is minimal; hence, the impact to the Secretary of State is expected to also be minimal.

Requests to the Association of Oregon Counties with a specific reference to Lane County did not yield any specific information on the fiscal impacts of this bill. The financial status of the commission is unknown, as to the volume of work that will be transferred to Lane County. Given this, the Legislative Fiscal Office concludes that the financial impact associated with the bill is indeterminate.

The League of Oregon Cities also indicates that the fiscal is indeterminate. Cities will no longer have to pay an assessment to the boundary commission; however, they will have to spend internal resources instead. The difference will vary by city.