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

MEASURE NUMBER: HB 2212 STATUS: Original

**SUBJECT:** Expands residential alternative energy tax credits

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Department of Energy and Department of Revenue

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## **EXPENDITURES:**

See Comments.

## **REVENUES:**

Refer to the Revenue Impact Statement issued by the Legislative Revenue Office.

## **POSITIONS / FTE:**

See Comments.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 91<sup>st</sup> day following adjournment sine die.

**GOVERNOR'S BUDGET:** This bill is anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget for Department of Energy.

**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 expands the residential alternative energy tax credit to permit wind electrical systems, fuel cell systems, and premium efficiency biomass combustion devices (Pellet Stoves). The measure also allows for multiple tax credits in a single year. The expansion of the residential alternative energy tax credits will result in revenue reductions to General Funds. In the Governor's Recommended Budget, the Department of Energy has requested funds to cover costs associated with renewable energy and conservation incentives and existing energy programs. The agency does not believe that this bill will significantly increase program service volumes and considers the fiscal impact associated with this bill to be minimal, and absorbable with existing resources. The Department of Revenue anticipates there will be minimal fiscal impact to their agency, assuming that the additional tax credits do not exceed 200.

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