

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

MEASURE NUMBER: HB 2292 **STATUS:** Original
SUBJECT: Extends Department of Agriculture oversight of commodity commissions
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Department of Agriculture
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DATE: January 30, 2006

EXPENDITURES:	<u>2007-2009</u>	<u>2009-2011</u>
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: The bill extends a temporary legal provision granting the Oregon Department of Agriculture authority to oversee promotion, advertising and research projects of Oregon’s Commodity Commissions. The 2003 Legislative Assembly granted the Department this authority to minimize the potential for litigation against commodity commissions (Oregon Law 2003, Chapter 604). It is difficult to estimate the potential fiscal impact of this increased legal risk to commodity commissions, however, the department characterizes the increased risk of litigation as “significant”.

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