House Bill 2143

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Modifies biennial transfer from Tobacco Settlement Funds Account to Tobacco Enforcement Fund. Provides that amount transferred each biennium be equal to Department of Justice's estimated costs of enforcing certain tobacco-related laws. Requires transfer on July 1 of odd-numbered year instead of June 1 of odd-numbered year.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to tobacco settlement funds; amending ORS 293.537; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 293.537 is amended to read:

293.537. (1) The Tobacco Settlement Funds Account is established as an account in the General Fund. Except as provided in section 2, chapter 11, Oregon Laws 2003, the account shall consist of all moneys paid to this state under the Master Settlement Agreement of 1998.

- (2) Before July 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Department of Justice shall submit for approval to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services the estimated costs that will be incurred by the Department of Justice in the subsequent biennium in enforcing the provisions of ORS 180.400 to 180.455, 323.106 and 323.806. On [June] July 1 of each odd-numbered year, [the sum of \$700,000] a sum equal to the amount approved by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall be transferred from the Tobacco Settlement Funds Account to the Tobacco Enforcement Fund established under ORS 180.205.
- (3) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, all moneys in the Tobacco Settlement Funds Account are continuously appropriated to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to be expended as directed by the Legislative Assembly.
- (4) All moneys in the Tobacco Settlement Funds Account shall be invested as provided in ORS 293.701 to 293.790.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> This 2007 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2007 Act takes effect on its passage.

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