

**75TH OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY  
SENATE FINANCE & REVENUE COMMITTEE**

**MEASURE: SB 77 A  
CARRIER: Sen. Burdick**

**REVENUE: No Revenue Impact**

**FISCAL: Fiscal Impact Issued**

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**Action:** Do Pass with Amendments and be Printed A-Eng.

**Vote:** 5-0-0

**Yeas:** Hass, Morse, Rosenbaum, Telfer, Burdick

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** February 5, April 9, 13, 14, 2009

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**WHAT THE BILL DOES:** Establishes process whereby a county government or the Governor can declare a state of fiscal distress that compromises the ability of the county to provide a minimally adequate level of public safety services. Directs Governor or county government to request a review and analysis of public services in the county by the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission. Sets out time frame for commission to report findings. Requires Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to establish, by rule, minimal standards for public safety services. Specifies procedures for establishing fiscal control board for purposes of developing a recovery plan for restoring minimal level of public services. Specifies membership of fiscal control board. Spells out process for county governing body to accept or reject recovery plan recommended by fiscal control board. Requires fiscal control board to monitor progress of recovery plan. Directs board to issue termination of emergency recommendation when it concludes that minimally adequate public safety services have been restored. When Governor declares end to emergency, fiscal control board is dissolved.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Governor's Interim Task Force on Federal Forest Payments and County Services.
- Fiscal options available to hard hit counties.
- Need to consult with local law enforcement authorities.
- Similar financial control board legislation in other states.

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:** Explicitly lists local authorities who formally participate in the process including sheriffs, district attorneys, judges and other local officials including representatives from local labor organizations.

**BACKGROUND:** The concept behind SB 77 grew out of the work done by the Governor's 2007-08 interim Task Force on Federal Forest Payments and County Services.

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