

REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Area: Document Fees
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Measure Description:

Increases document recording fees by \$15. The transactions considered for the increase are most the documents of title and deed at the county level. These transactions, specified in ORS 205.320, are primarily administered by the county clerks. The new fee generally follows the 1 \$ fee or the Oregon land information system fund, however, the bill specifies exemptions from the new fee for mining claims, warrants issued by the employment department, and liens and judgment records. Te bill also creates the General Housing Account, and directs 76 percent of the revenue to the account. Ten percent of the new revenue goes to the Emergency Housing account, and the rest (14 percent) go to Home Ownership Assistance Account. The new fee is effective 91 days after Sine die. The amendment allows an exemption for the Department of Revenue.

Revenue Impact:

\$	2009-10	2010-11	2009-11 Biennium	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
State Other Funds(Total)	\$4,581,385	\$10,577,281	\$15,158,666	\$26,491,527	\$29,127,260
General Housing Act(76%)			11,520,586	20,133,560	22,136,717
Emergency Housing Act(10%)			1,515,867	2,649,153	2,912,726
Home ownership Act(14%)			2,122,213	3,708,814	4,077,816

Impact Explanation:

The transactions are based on the actual collections for the Oregon MAP transactions, which are used by the department of Revenue for mapping tax lots. The actuals are adjusted for a number of exempted transactions. The exemptions avoid charging mining claims, warrants, and liens. Those are estimated from information previously examined for different uses. The growth rates of document recordings are based on the forecast for housing starts with an allowance for other transactions as one third of the total that is not connected to the housing starts growth factors. Document recoding fees are expected to continue declining for this year, stabilize and then follow the economic rebound in the late months of 2009 and early 2010. The new revenue will divide into three different accounts, but mostly will fund the general housing account at 76% of total.

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