## Senate Bill 981

Sponsored by Senator BOQUIST; Senators ATKINSON, FERRIOLI, GEORGE, GIROD, KRUSE, MORSE, STARR, TELFER, WHITSETT

## **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.** 

Establishes Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund. Transfers portion of June 30, 2009, ending balance from dedicated or continuously appropriated Other Funds accounts or funds to reserve fund. Transfers interest from reserve fund to State School Fund. Specifies circumstances under which amounts transferred to reserve fund may be modified or appropriated.

Declares emergency, effective July 1, 2009.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to a reserve fund; and declaring an emergency.

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, interest earned by the Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund shall be credited to the fund.

- (2) On July 1 of each calendar year, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall calculate the amount of interest that is attributable to moneys in the Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund as of that date. The department shall transfer the amount calculated under this subsection from the reserve fund to the State School Fund established by ORS 327.008.
- (3) The department shall maintain a record of the amounts each state agency transfers to the reserve fund under section 2 of this 2009 Act.
- (4) The Legislative Assembly may appropriate moneys from the Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund for the benefit of a state agency if the appropriation is approved by three-fifths of the members serving in each house of the Legislative Assembly.
- (5) As used in this section, "state agency" has the meaning given that term in ORS 291.322.

SECTION 2. (1) Subject to action by the Emergency Board under subsection (2) of this section, on July 1, 2009, or the next business day following adjournment sine die of the regular session of the Seventy-fifth Legislative Assembly, whichever is later, each state agency administering a statutory fund or account that includes fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds, collected or received by the state agency that are dedicated or continuously appropriated to the agency by statute for the uses and purposes of the agency, shall transfer from the fund or account to the Oregon Other Funds Reserve Fund an amount equal to the ending balance of the fund or account on June 30, 2009, minus 12.5 percent of the amount the agency is authorized by the Legislative Assembly to spend from the fund or account for the biennium beginning on

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- (2) Upon request of a state agency, the Emergency Board may, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, authorize a state agency to retain, in a fund or account described in subsection (1) of this section, an amount that exceeds 12.5 percent of the amount the agency is authorized by the Legislative Assembly to spend from the fund or account for the biennium.
- (3) For purposes of section 3 (1)(b), Article III of the Oregon Constitution, and ORS 291.326 (1)(b), the amount a state agency may retain under this section in a fund or account described in subsection (1) of this section is considered to be part of the budget of the agency as approved in accordance with law.
  - (4) Subsections (1) to (3) of this section do not apply to:
  - (a) Funds or accounts that receive moneys appropriated from the General Fund;
- (b) Funds or accounts established by the Oregon Constitution or whose expenditures are limited or otherwise directed by provisions of the Oregon Constitution;
- (c) Federal funds or lottery funds deposited in any fund or account that includes dedicated or continuously appropriated moneys; or
- (d) Dedicated or continuously appropriated moneys in a fund or account described in subsection (1) of this section that are authorized by law to be expended without limitation.
- (5) As used in this section, "state agency" has the meaning given that term in ORS 291.322.
- SECTION 3. The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall make the first transfer to the State School Fund under section 1 (2) of this 2009 Act on July 1, 2010.
- <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect on July 1, 2009.