

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2049

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Measure Description:

Requires Department of Human Services to reimburse employer for employee expenses for up to three months if employer hires individual placed with employer through JOBS Plus Program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Human Services (DHS)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

See Analysis

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.

Analysis:

House Bill 2049 modifies statutes related to the JOBS Plus Program to provide more incentives to employers to hire more JOBS Plus participants. The bill authorizes DHS to:

1. Continue to pay an additional three months of subsidized employment if the employer hires the placement for at least six months.
2. Withhold payment due to employers if employer fails to retain the placement for at least six months.
3. Restrict access by needy caretaker relatives receiving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) to services provided in JOBS program.
4. Modify the JOBS re-engagement and disqualification process to reduce or eliminate a TANF grant based on non-compliance with JOBS program requirements.
5. Requires that assignment of rights to child support will not be based on funding type of the TANF case.
6. Reduce the state TANF time limits from 60 months to 48 months and modify how the time on the caseload is counted.
7. Extend reductions taken previously through the 2011-13 biennium.

At this time, the fiscal impact of potential changes to administrative rules, program design and contractual requirements is indeterminate, contingent on the specific plans to be developed by the Department of Human Services.

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Human Services to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

A more thorough and complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.