

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2347

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Measure Description:

Excludes officiating services at amateur sporting events from definition of "employment" for purposes of unemployment insurance taxation.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Employment Department (OED)

Summary of Expenditure Impact – See Comments

Summary of Revenue Impact– See Comments

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:

HB 2347 excludes persons officiating at amateur sporting events from Unemployment Insurance (UI) coverage. The Employment Department estimates notes that the bill excludes amateur sporting officiating from both UI taxes and UI benefits.

OED estimates that the bill would affect 250 amateur sports officials. Assuming an average annual officiating wage of \$4,000 at an average UI tax rate of 3.08%, the bill would have a negative impact of \$61,600 Nonlimited Other Funds on the UI Trust Fund each biennium. In addition, the UI trust fund would lose approximately \$1,097 in interest earnings in the 2011-13 biennium, for a net reduction of \$62,697 Nonlimited Other Funds to the UI trust fund.

OED estimates that if 25 sports officials filed UI claims each year, and that if each claim were for \$50 per week and the duration of the claim was 16 weeks, there would be approximately \$40,000 Nonlimited Other Funds savings to the UI trust fund each biennium.

The cumulative effect of this bill on the UI trust fund for the 2011-13 biennium would be a net reduction of \$22,697 Nonlimited Other Funds.