

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2983 - A

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Measure Description:

Reduces fee charged by Water Resources Department for examining certain new applications for in-stream water right lease.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Water Resources Department

Summary of Expenditure Impact: See Analysis

Summary of Revenue 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:

The measure reduces the fee for in-stream water right lease renewal applications for a person that provides a sworn statement that no compensation is being received for the lease. Currently, a person is required to pay the renewal fee of \$100 for in-stream water right lease application review. That fee will be reduced to \$50 effective July 1, 2013.

The Water Resources Department processed 50 renewal applications for in-stream water right leases in 2010.

The fiscal impact is indeterminate. Assuming that all applicants provided a sworn statement that no compensation is being received and that the number of renewal applications remained at a similar rate per year, the Department may have a loss of revenue of approximately \$5,000 to \$10,000 per biennium.