FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Exempts from property taxation items of tangible personal property used exclusively on owner's farm parcel primarily to promote sale of products produced on parcel and on other local farm parcels.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Counties, Department of Revenue (DOR)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Please see analysis

Local Government Mandate:

This bill may affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis:

While the measure's cost of implementation is of a minimal impact to the Department of Revenue, the measure would require the identification and exemption of certain properties identified in the bill as used primarily to promote farm products. County appraisers would have to develop and process exemption forms and may have to make some number of field visits to verify exemption claims. The broad definition of exempted personal property provided by the bill creates an uncertainty as to the amount of additional costs that may be incurred by counties to process the exemptions and therefore the fiscal impact cannot be determined.