FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Requires Secretary of State to consolidate and simplify business registry functions to enable person to register business and obtain authority to transact business in most expeditious manner possible.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Secretary of State

Summary of Fiscal Impact

	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Other Funds	380,312	75,000
Total Funds	\$380,312	\$75,000
Positions	1.00	0.00
FTE	1.00	0.00

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 requires the Secretary of State (SOS) to establish an internet portal that provides information, services and resources for a number of business filing, tax, business assistance, promotion and regulatory programs. To accomplish the provisions of the measure the SOS would use a contracted vendor to develop, implement and test the portal for an estimated cost of \$250,000. The SOS would also utilize a 12-month limited-duration position, at a cost of \$92,812, to manage and coordinate efforts to identify and gather the information of state agencies and local governments with business programs covered by the project's scope. After the initial development and implementation of the portal, the SOS will incur ongoing contracted maintenance costs for the portal.

The SOS, with the assistance of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS), estimated the costs for the contracted development and implementation for the portal through estimates of possible vendor's prior experience with similar projects. The development and initial implementation is estimated to take approximately 33 weeks including testing. The coordination and production of all of the information needed from state and local government agencies may increase the projected timeline. The ongoing maintenance cost is projected to be 15 percent of the cost of the estimated development contract or \$37,500 per year. Since the operative date of the legislation is Jan 1, 2012, the development time would extend the operational date of the portal to early in the second year of the 2011-13 biennium, therefore maintenance expenses would only be realized in the second year.

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