

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 3434

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Measure Description:

Authorizes limited transfer of funds from Community Housing Trust Account to Department of Human Services Account for specified purposes.

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 3434 allows the Department of Human Services (DHS) to transfer from the Community Housing Trust Account (also known as the Fairview Housing Trust Fund) no more than \$3.1 million. The bill stipulates that the moneys transferred may only be used for services provided to children and adults with intellectual and other developmental disabilities to the extent of the differences between the General Fund appropriation for the department for such services in 2011-13 biennium and the appropriation to the department for such services in the 2009-11 biennium. Any unspent moneys as of June 30, 2013 must be transferred back to the Community Housing Trust Account. The bill also stipulates that moneys transferred are not subject to allotment control by the Department of Administrative Services. DHS is directed to restore the moneys transferred to the account prior to July 1, 2017.

Passage of this bill will have a budgetary impact on DHS. The 2011-13 Governor's Budget contains a transfer from the Community Housing Trust Account of \$6,950,134 to be used as an offset of General Fund towards the Developmental Disability (DD) budget. This bill allows no more than \$3.1 million to be transferred. Passage of this bill would require the 2011-13 DD services budget be reduced by \$3,850,134 from the Governor's proposed funding level, or other revenues be identified to make up the funding difference. Also, if the full \$3.1 million is transferred and spent during the 2011-13 biennium, the agency would likely request that amount of additional General Fund in the 2013-15 or 2015-17 biennium to make the required repayment by July 1, 2017.