FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Reduces certain nonresident fees related to commercial fishing.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Summary of Revenue Impact:

Agency – Fund Type	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Department of Fish & Wildlife – Other Funds	(\$767,210)	(\$767,210)

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 nonresident fees related to commercial fishing to an amount equal to \$50 above the resident fee amount for the same license. Currently, the nonresident fees are significantly higher than resident fees, and may be a violation of the equal protection clause under Federal law.

Assuming nonresident licensing permit sales equivalent to 2010 totals, the Department of Fish and Wildlife estimates a total loss of revenue of \$767,210 Other Funds in 2011-13. Depending on the demand for certain nonresident licenses under the new fee structure, the amount of lost revenue may vary.

There is no expenditure impact to the Department as a result of this measure.