FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Requires State Department of Agriculture to charge annual permit fees for confined animal feeding operations.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Agriculture

Summary of Expenditure Impact: See Analysis

Summary of Revenue Impact:

	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Other Funds	\$181,300	\$181,300

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 establishes small, medium, and large categories for confined animal feeding operations (CAFO) and establishes annual permit fee amounts for each category to be issued by the Department of Agriculture. Currently, all confined animal feeding operations fall into one category and the annual permit fee is not to exceed \$25. This measure would establish the annual permit fees as follows: \$100 for small confined animal feeding operations, \$200 for medium confined animal feeding operations, and \$300 for large confined animal feeding operations. The measure allows the Department to establish by rule definitions for the three categories.

The -4 amendment removes provisions allowing the Department to recover costs of additional inspections, makes the fees effective May 15, 2011, allows for the Department to issue a supplemental bill for fees retroactive to the effective date of the bill, and makes the bill effective on passage.

The Department estimates approximately 199 small operations, 252 medium operations, and 115 large operations would be affected in 2011-13. The Department would generate approximately \$181,300 in revenue for 2011-13 and the same in 2013-15.

The additional revenue from this measure is included in a policy package in the agency's requested budget and will be used to restore a revenue shortfall that will allow the Department to retain a 0.50 FTE position and maintain the existing level of service within the CAFO program.

The measure will have a minimal expenditure impact to the agency for administrative rule-making.

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