FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Changes name of Oregon State Fair to Oregon Exposition Center.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Summary of Expenditure 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:

The measure changes the name of the Oregon State Fair to the Oregon Exposition Center (OEC) and exempts the OEC from certain contracting code statutes that apply to state agencies. The measure requires the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) to adopt contracting and purchasing policies and procedures and submit them to the Department of Administrative Services for compliance with state and federal laws and collective bargaining agreements.

The measure establishes the Exposition Center Event Account separate and distinct from the General Fund, continuously appropriates moneys in the account to the Department, and credits the interest earned back to the account. The moneys in the account are for the purposes of marketing and promoting venues and events and maintaining, improving, and developing the exposition buildings, structures, and grounds. The measure makes a one-time permanent transfer of the lesser of \$500,000 or the balance of the State Parks and Recreation Department Fund subaccount on January 2, 2012 to the Exposition Center Event Account.

OPRD plans to allocate the anticipated workload of adopting new contracting and purchasing policies and procedures to existing staff. OPRD states that to adopt new policies and procedures, other activities would be reprioritized and deferred to a later time. The one-time transfer of funds to the Exposition Center Event Account is included in a policy package in the Governor's budget.

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