FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to enter into contracts to develop and implement a regional Grow Oregon pilot program, to provide identified services to applicants. Grants are subject to the availability of funds to provide the services.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Business Development Department (Business Oregon)

Summary of Expenditure Impact

	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Lottery Funds	347,398	
Total Funds	\$347,398	\$0
Positions	1	
FTE	0.50	

Summary of Revenue Impact

	2011-13 Biennium	2013-15 Biennium
Other Funds	30,000	0
Total Funds	\$30,000	\$0

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:

SB 930 directs the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD), in connection with small business development centers, to enter into contracts to develop and implement a regional Grow Oregon pilot program. The pilot program will include services to applicants, including consultation, marketing and technical assistance, subject to the availability of funds to provide the services. The bill also requires OBDD to obtain an independent third party evaluation of the Grow Oregon pilot program. The pilot program. 30, 2013. The bill includes a blank Lottery Funds appropriation. The Joint Committee on Ways and Means may further review program cost projections prior to authorizing funds for the pilot project.

OBDD estimates that the administrative functions in this bill will require 1 (0.50 FTE) limited duration Program Analyst 3, at a cost of \$90,398. OBDD will contract for the services specified in the bill including market research, regional consultation, marketing, and program grants at an estimated cost of \$257,000.

The bill authorizes OBDD to charge a reasonable fee to apply for these grants. The revenue estimate assumes that 20 entities would apply and that OBDD would charge \$1,500 per application, which would generate \$30,000 in total revenue.