

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: HB 4082 A**Seventy-Sixth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2012 Regular Session
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Measure Description:

Transfers authority over court appointed special advocates and CASA Volunteer Programs from State Commission on Children and Families to Oregon Volunteers Commission for Voluntary Action and Service.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Housing and Community Services Department, State Commission on Children and Families, Judicial Department

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:

This fiscal impact statement is solely for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Human Services to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

HB 4082 transfers the CASA Volunteer Programs from the State Commission on Children and Families to the Oregon Volunteers Commission for Voluntary Action. The bill requires each CASA Volunteer Program to report biannually to a standing and interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the provision of court appointed special advocate services. The bill directs the Judicial Department, the Housing and Community Services Department and the Oregon Volunteers Commission to study the appropriate structure and operation for funding and administration of the CASA Volunteer Programs, and make recommendations to the Legislative Assembly. The bill appropriates an unspecified amount to the Housing and Community Services Department for distribution to the Oregon Volunteers Commission for the purpose of administering the CASA Volunteer Programs. The bill contains an emergency clause, and is effective on passage.

Further Analysis Required

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact, and will require budgetary actions, on the budgets of the Housing and Community Services Department, and the State Commission on Children and Families. The amount of this impact is still being determined. A more complete fiscal analysis will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.