

SB 551

Relating to state financial administration

Senate Bill 551 establishes the Task Force on the Capital Construction Budget Process.

This task force is charged with recommending a long-range process for determining and implementing future capital construction needs and priority for the state. The bill directs the task force to compile a current inventory of state-owned buildings, including a description of the condition of each building. The task force is also required to review existing statutory provisions governing the process for developing the capital construction budget in order to recommend a comprehensive package of statutory changes that would result in a capital construction budgeting process that is based on identified long-term goals, and provides more transparency for the public.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends SB 551 be amended and be reported out “do pass” as amended.

Joint Committee on Ways and Means

Carrier – House: Rep. Buckley
Carrier – Senate: Sen. Devlin

Revenue:

Fiscal: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and be Printed A-Engrossed

Vote:

House

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

Senate

Yeas:

Nays:

Exc:

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Creates Task Force on Capital Construction Budget Process. Specifies membership and procedural requirements. Directs Task Force to review existing statutory provisions governing the process of developing the capital construction portion of the state budget, including but not limited to provisions in ORS chapters 291 and 293 to (1) identify statutory provisions that are outdated, unnecessary or in need of modification; and (2) recommend a comprehensive changes that will modernize and align the state budget process with long-term goals. Declares an emergency. Sunsets on the convening of the 2015 Legislative Assembly.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Fiscal impact

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Changes the membership on the task force; removes State Treasurer; specifies that the member of the task force representing the Oregon Department of Administrative Services can be the Director or a designee.

BACKGROUND: Oregon budgets on a biennial basis (July 1st of odd-numbered year to June 30th of next odd-numbered year). Adjustments to a biennium's budget made by the Emergency Board (interim) or the Legislature (even-year short session, special session, or next regular session). Article IX, Section 4, Oregon Constitution provides budgetary authority to the Legislature. Provisions in ORS chapters 291 and 293 provide budgetary instruction. SB 551 directs the Task Force to review existing statutory provisions governing the process of developing the capital construction portion of the state budget, including but not limited to provisions in ORS chapters 291 and 293 to (1) identify statutory provisions that are outdated, unnecessary or in need of modification; and (2) recommend a comprehensive changes that will modernize and align the state budget process with long-term goals.

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: SB 551 - A**Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2013 Regular Session
Legislative Fiscal Office***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official***

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Capital Construction Budget Process.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration, Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO), Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

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:

Senate Bill 551 establishes the six-member Task Force on the Capital Construction Budget Process charged with creating a current inventory of state-owned buildings, and reviewing existing statutory provisions governing the process of developing the capital construction portion of the state budget in order to make recommendations for statutory changes that will allow the Legislature to develop budgets for capital construction projects based on identified long-term goals for the state. The task force is required to report the Legislative Assembly by October 15, 2014. The task force sunsets on the date of the convening of the 2015 Legislative Assembly. The bill declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.

The Legislative Administrator is required to provide staff support to the task force, and claims for expenses are to be paid by Legislative Administration. The bill allows the task force to meet at times and places specified by the call of the chair or the majority of the voting members. The fiscal impact of meeting expenses is indeterminate depending on the geographic location of task force members, as well as the locations and frequencies of meetings. The Legislative Administration budget contains some funding for staffing and production of reports for interim committees. However, if the cumulative effect of the enactment of other bills exceeds expenditure levels assumed in the Legislative Administration's budget, Legislative Administration may need to seek additional resources

Members of the task force include the co-chairs of the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, one member of the Senate, one member of the House, the Legislative Fiscal Officer, and the Director of the Chief of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services or a designee. This fiscal assumes that the Legislative Fiscal Office and the Department of Administrative Services will absorb the fiscal impact of this bill, and that the participants will reprioritize duties and responsibilities to contribute to the task force.

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
SENATE BILL 551**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, delete line 12.

2 In line 13, delete “(e)” and insert “(d)” and after the semicolon insert
3 “and”.

4 Delete lines 14 and 15.

5 In line 16, delete “(g)” and insert “(e)” and after “Services” insert “or a
6 designee of the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Ser-
7 vices”.

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