

**REVENUE IMPACT OF
PROPOSED LEGISLATION
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Legislative Revenue Office**

Bill Number:	HB 2700-A
Revenue Area:	Bonding and Debt
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***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official***

Measure Description:

Directs Oregon Business Development Department to develop and implement Beginning and Expanding Farmer Loan Program to assist beginning farmers with acquisition of agricultural land, agricultural improvements and depreciable agricultural property.

Revenue Impact (in \$Millions):

The measure specifies certain requirements for loans, maximum loan amount of, and limits on loans for depreciable property. This statement is issued to facilitate the movement of this measure to the committee on ways and means.

Impact Explanation:

The measure as amended directs OBDD, in consultation with Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), to create Beginning and Expanding Farmer Loan program. OBDD will use federally tax exempt private activity bonds to facilitate low interest loans for beginning farmers and ranchers to purchase agricultural land and related agricultural property. The measure directs ODA to cooperate with OBDD in a marketing program and outreach to farmers and lenders. The amendment also defines "bond-related" costs, and authorizes State Treasurer to issue private activity bonds at request of OBDD to pay program related costs. The measure establishes several funds to build the structure of bond repayments process through establishing, the Beginning Farmer Bond Fund, Beginning Farmer Debt Service Fund and Beginning Farmer Bond Administration Fund. The Impacts of this measure on revenue will be evaluated further as the committee on ways and means examines the different facets and mechanisms of this bond and loan program.

Creates, Extends, or Expands Tax Expenditure: Yes No

Further Analysis Required