

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 456**

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**Measure Description:**

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Oregon Health Authority for nutrition program for low-income seniors.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

**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 456 appropriates \$400,000 General Funds to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) for the purpose of providing fresh Oregon-grown fruits, vegetables and cut herbs from farmers' markets and roadside stands to eligible low-income seniors under the Senior Farm Direct Nutrition Program (SFDNP). The bill contains an emergency clause and is effective on passage.

Oregon's Senior Farm Direct Nutrition Program, administered by Public Health, is funded primarily by a federal grant from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). The program provides eligible seniors an additional source of nutritious food and education on selecting and preparing fresh produce. SFDNP recipients receive checks to spend directly with local farmers who grow fruits and vegetables. The program served 32,000 seniors in 2012. An additional \$400,000 would serve an additional 11,013 seniors. OHA estimates that 88% or \$352,000 of the funds will go directly to seniors with the remaining 12% or \$48,000 funding the costs of printing and mailing the checks. Staffing expenses are funded by the USDA grant, and would not be charged to this revenue source.

This bill requires budgetary action for the appropriation of the \$400,000 General Fund for the 2013-15 biennium.