

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

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Senate

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: This measure implements statutory changes necessary to support the legislatively approved budget and to clarify the application of statutes. This measure, relating to state financial administration, is not an appropriation bill and therefore does not include the appropriation of funds. The measure, however, is necessary to achieve a balanced budget for the 2013-15 biennium. The measure is effective on passage.

The fiscal or budgetary impacts of provisions of this measure are contained in HB 5201, which is the budget reconciliation bill, or in other specific budget measures. The major provisions, by program area, are:

Education Program Area: Authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide interest free loans of up to \$400,000 to financially troubled school districts.

Human Services Program Area: Eliminates the Commission for the Blind's Industries for the Blind Program, effective December 2013.

Public Safety Program Area: Re-establishes the Work Group on Corrections Health Care Costs until the convening of the Legislative session in 2015 [see SB 843 (2013)].

Economic and Community Development Program Area: Addresses Governor's line-item veto of HB 2322 (2013) by repealing section 31, chapter 722, Oregon Law 2013.

Administration Program Area: Modifies statutory compensation plan reporting by the Department of Administrative Services to include step increases; re-establishes a Task Force on State Budget Process [see SB 552 (2013)]; and transfers \$2.2 million in Business Registration fee revenue to the General Fund.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Need for program change bill
- Relation to HB 5201, the budget reconciliation bill, and SB 5703, the bond bill
- Fiscal impact
- Revenue impact and transfer to the General Fund

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND: This measure is the Joint Committee on Ways and Means program change bill. Similar measures are introduced each legislative session. This measure, relating to state financial administration, is not an appropriation bill and therefore does not include the appropriation of funds.