FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Increases fees to take nursing examination and renew nursing license.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Board of Nursing

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

See Analysis.

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 bill would direct the Oregon State Board of Nursing to impose an additional \$9 fee on examination fees and license renewal fees for registered nurses or licensed practical nurse. These fees are to be deposited in a separate fund established by the bill; the Nursing Advancement Fund. Once annually the OSBN would be required to transfer the principal balance of the fund to an Oregon nonprofit organization that supports the advancement of the nursing profession in Oregon.

Based on the number of new and renewal licenses issued in the 2014 calendar year, the bill would generate approximately \$500,000 Other Funds per biennium. The Legislative Fiscal Office believes this measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means Committee for consideration of this measure's budgetary impact on the agency's budget.