

PRELIMINARY STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee On Revenue

Fiscal: May have fiscal impact, but no statement yet issued

Revenue: May have revenue impact, but no statement yet issued

Action Date:

Action:

Meeting Dates:

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires certain state agencies to provide certain information regarding businesses allowed certain property tax exemptions, to Oregon Department of Administrative Services in each even-numbered year for posting on Oregon transparency website and to Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) during each odd-numbered year. Requires OBDD to report received information to the House and Senate committees related to revenue, during each odd-numbered year regular session. Applies to property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2016.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

-1 Modifies agencies responsible for submitting required information

Requires the Department of Revenue and the Legislative Revenue Officer, after consultation with county assessors and state agency otherwise charged with certifying or administering tax expenditure, to submit the required information to Department of Administrative Services and/or Oregon Business Development Department as required.

BACKGROUND:

Passed during the 2011 regular legislative session, House Bill 2825 required certifying and/or administering agencies of certain tax expenditures to submit a report to the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for posting of information on Oregon's transparency website. The information required to be included in the report was dependent upon the information already being available in an existing database maintained by the agency. Proprietary information or information exempt from disclosure was not to be included.

House Bill 4079 (2012) expanded the number of tax expenditures reported to DAS. House Bill 2370 (2013) expanded number of tax expenditures reported to DAS and required posting of reports received by DOR or OBDD from counties relating to enterprise zones.

House Bill 2940 would add two tax expenditures to the existing list of those reported to DAS for posting on OR transparency website, Construction in Process in an Enterprise Zone and Long Term Rural Enterprise Zone. New information of tax expenditures, as required in the bill, to be provided to DAS and OBDD are:

Construction in Process in an Enterprise Zone | Enterprise Zone Businesses | Rural Renewable Energy Development Zone | Long Term Rural Enterprise Zone (Property Tax) | Strategic Investment Program | Food Processing Equipment | Egg Processing Equipment