

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 117

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Jurisdictional Transfers.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), counties, cities

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 117 establishes the 12-member Task Force on Jurisdictional Transfers charged with evaluating and making recommendations concerning the transfer of state highways from the state's jurisdiction to the jurisdiction of a city or county. The task force is required to submit an initial report by December 1, 2015; and a final report by September 15, 2016. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2016.

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC)

At least four members of the task force will be legislators who are eligible to receive compensation and reimbursement of expenses. The bill is silent on which state agency is responsible for staffing the task force. This fiscal assumes that Legislative Administration Committee will provide staff support. Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for Committee Services staff support, as well as per diem and mileage associated with legislators' participation in interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2015-17 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), counties, cities

Passage of this bill is anticipated to have minimal impact on ODOT, counties and cities. The Oregon Department of Transportation, counties and cities have statutory authority to transfer jurisdictional control over highways, roads, and streets. ODOT and local government have ongoing discussions, and make transfers from time to time. This task force will provide a legislative forum for these discussions.