REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly 2015 Regular Session Legislative Revenue Office Bill Number: SB 161

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Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed Versions are Considered Official

This office has reviewed the proposed legislation and determined that it has

Minimal Revenue Impact

The bill allows county tax collectors to electronically file warrants of delinquent property taxes on business personal property with the Secretary of State (SoS) which is required to mark, hold, and index filed warrants in accordance with provisions of Universal Commercial Code (UCC). SoS is permitted to charge fee for filing in UCC and county tax collectors are permitted to add amount of SoS fee to amount due on property tax warrant. SoS provided public testimony that suggests any fee would be levied as a flat fee to each county in amount not to exceed \$500. If all 36 counties choose to file with SoS and each county chooses to pass on the \$500 fee, total increase in fees would be no more than \$18,000.

This measure provides that under certain conditions included in the bill, purchaser of business personal property may qualify as bona fide purchaser. A bona fide purchaser is not liable for property taxes that were delinquent on the date of the purchase transaction in which bona fide purchaser acquired the business personal property. This is expected to have a minimal impact upon property tax collections.

The measure permits tax collector to accept agreed upon compromise payment of tax from purchaser of business personal property, under certain conditions. This is expected to have a minimal impact upon tax collections.

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