

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 3085

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Measure Description:

Provides that City of Damascus shall surrender its charter, disincorporate and cease to exist.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Counties, Cities, Department of Land Conservation and Development

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, if approved by the voters of the City of Damascus, would disincorporate the city and the city would cease to exist 60 days after election. The bill requires the city to satisfy all outstanding legal debts and obligations and expend all monies as provided by law and to convey all real property and tangible and intangible personal property to Clackamas County 30 days after election. In addition, the bill sets the election for the next general election.

Clackamas County estimates that the provisions of this bill will result in approximately \$2.5 million fiscal impact to the county. ORS 236.610 requires the county to transfer the affected employees of the city to employment by the county, for a minimum of one year. The county also anticipates additional costs associated with planning services, code enforcement, and law enforcement. In addition, the county anticipates a portion of these additional expenses to be partially offset by increased property tax revenue from the unincorporated properties.

The Department of Land Conservation and Development does not anticipate a fiscal impact due to this bill.