

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 705

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Legislative Fiscal Office

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Measure Description:

Directs Oregon Health Authority to study and report on demolition of residential structures that have been painted with lead-based paint or insulated with asbestos and risks to public health associated with such demolitions.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

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 705 directs the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) to study and report on the demolition of residential structures that have been painted with lead-based paint or that have been insulated with asbestos. The bill requires OHA to study: (1) the risks to public health presented by the demolition of such structures, and strategies for mitigating those risks; and (2) the relative risks presented by the demolition of such structures in areas with different population densities, including the relative risks presented in the demolition of such structures in cities with a population density of greater than 500 people per square mile. OHA is required to submit this report to an interim Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2016. This bill sunsets on the convening of the 2017 Legislative Session.

The fiscal impact of this bill on OHA is indeterminate. The bill does not specify the term “study.” If “study” means a review of the current literature, the fiscal impact to OHA is minimal. If “study” means more extensive and customized work that is outside the scope of the agency’s resources or expertise, then OHA may need additional staffing and funding to conduct the study.