

Fiscal: No Fiscal Impact

Revenue: No Revenue Impact

Action Date: 04/07/15

Action: Do Pass.

Meeting Dates: 04/07

Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Beyer, Boquist, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires ballot title for measure proposing local option tax to state that estimated tax cost may reflect impact of early payment discounts, compression and collection rate. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Providing voters complete explanation on revenue impact of local option tax
- Ability for local government to account for revenue collected
- Gross versus net revenue estimated to be collected
- Impact on local option tax in Lane County

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Current Oregon law requires that whenever a proposed local option tax is submitted to voters by any subdivision, the statement in the ballot title, which explains the measure's primary purpose and gives reasons for the measure, shall state the total amount of money to be raised by the proposed local option tax, in dollars and cents. If the statement in the ballot title for the measure submitted includes an estimated tax impact, the estimate is to be based on the most current estimate of assessed value from the county assessor. The measure must have the statement: "The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate."

House Bill 2635 requires the ballot title for a local option tax measure with an estimated tax impact include an expanded statement, "The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of estimate *and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression and the collection rate.*"