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Measure Description:

Creates Joint Interim Legislative Committee to Review Economic Development Programs in Oregon.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO), Legislative Revenue Office (LRO), Business Development Department (Business Oregon), Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), Employment Department

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:

House Bill 2240 establishes a six-member Joint Interim Legislative Committee to Review Economic Development Programs in Oregon charged with researching, studying and compiling data regarding economic development programs in Oregon and summarizing information about the programs in order to determine the effectiveness of the programs and make recommendations to create or improve evaluation methods for a consistent, statewide evaluation process. The committee is required to submit a report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2016. The committee sunsets on December 31, 2016. The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect on passage.

Legislative Administration Committee and Legislative Assembly

The fiscal impact of this bill on Legislative Administration Committee is indeterminate depending on the scope of work undertaken by the committee. The bill requires the Legislative Administration Committee to provide staff support, and to reimburse all six members of the committee. Although the 2015-17 Legislative Branch budget contains funds allocated for 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.

Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO), Legislative Revenue Office (LRO), Business Development Department (Business Oregon), Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), Employment Department This fiscal assumes that the committee may approach these agencies to request information, data, advice and support. Each of these organizations anticipates reprioritizing duties and responsibilities of existing staff to provide input to the committee if requested.