

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: HB 3315 A**Seventy-Eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2015 Regular Session
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Measure Description:

Requires State Department of Fish and Wildlife to recoup costs incurred in providing services to executive department agencies.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Department of Agriculture, Department of Energy, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Department of Forestry, Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI), Department of Land Conservation and Development, Department of State Lands, Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA), Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD), Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), Water Resources Department

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 would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to recoup costs incurred providing services to executive department agencies, however the measure suspends the authority of department to bill and collect funds from other agencies until the fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 2017. The bill requires ODFW to prepare statements showing charges beginning January 1, 2016 to make affected agencies aware of the costs being incurred by ODFW on their behalf.

Starting with the new fiscal year, ODFW will be required to track staff hours and hourly rates for professional, investigatory, administrative, and clerical services associated with services provided for other agencies. This would include, but not be limited to, fill and removal permits for Department of State Lands, assistance to the Water Resources Board in determining water rights and flows associated with fish, and consulting with Department of Environmental Quality on water quality issues. While ODFW will not invoice the affected agencies until July 1, 2017, the Department will provide the required statements to affected agencies before and during preparation of 2017-19 budget requests so that these costs can be accounted for in other agencies' budget requests. A better estimate of the fiscal ramifications of this measure on 2017-19 budgets will be known once ODFW starts tracking costs incurred providing services to executive department agencies.