

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 131 - A**

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**Measure Description:**

Establishes Task Force on the Willamette Falls Navigation Canal and Locks.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD), Oregon State Marine Board

**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 131 establishes a 17-member Task Force on the Willamette Falls Navigation Canal and Locks charged with compiling information relating to the Willamette Falls navigation canal and locks, and facilitating the repair and reopening of the canal and locks. The bill directs the task force to secure federal and other sources of funding for the repair, reopening, and operation of the canal and locks. The task force is required to submit a quarterly report to the legislature or interim committee. The task force sunsets December 31, 2017.

The fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate. The bill states that reimbursement for travel and other expenses for the non-Legislative members of the task force are to be paid out of available funds. However, the bill does not specify available to which agency. The bill allows the task force to meet at times and places specified by the call of the chair or a majority of the voting members.

Oregon Solutions at Portland State University is required to provide staff support to the task force. The Legislative Assembly, State Parks and Recreation, State Marine Board, Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Port of Portland, Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners, Confederate Tribes of the Grand Ronde, City of West Linn City Council, Oregon City Commission, and Metro council are required to appoint representatives to serve as members of the task force. This fiscal assumes that participation on the task force will have minimal impact on these entities. Each of these organizations anticipates reprioritizing duties and responsibilities of existing staff to allow participation on the task force.