
MEMORANDUM

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Subject: HB 4135
Work Session Recommendations

HB 4135 relates to fulfilling public records requests. The bill directs the Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to coordinate efforts of executive department agencies in fulfilling public records requests for records in electronic form that DAS has custody of and to provide technical assistance to executive department agencies in fulfilling public records requests for records in electronic form that DAS does not have custody of. The bill also requires DAS to coordinate requests when multiple executive department agencies receive requests for records records in DAS's custody.

DAS anticipates needing two limited duration positions in 2015-17 to carry out his work. While the positions are proposed as limited duration, that is only in order to get the program operational. The agency will assess the ongoing need and propose permanent funding and staffing as part of their 2017-19 budget proposal. Originally, it was assumed that all costs, both in 2015-17 and in 2017-19 would be covered by statewide assessments charged to agencies; however, the Legislative Fiscal Office has determined that the Department can pay for the two positions in 2015-17 with existing Other Funds expenditure limitation and revenue. The position authority for the two limited duration positions will be established in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2016 legislative session.

Measure to Full

LFO recommends the measure be moved to the full Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion #1: Move HB 4135, to the full committee with a Do Pass recommendation.

Assignment of Carriers

Full: _____
2nd Chamber: _____