

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: HB 4129 - A

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Measure Description:

Directs the Legislative Administration Committee to commission the design and production of certain statues to be placed on display in National Statuary Hall in United States Capitol.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC)

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 4129 establishes the National Statuary Hall Replacement Fund, and directs the Legislative Administration Committee to use moneys in the National Statuary Hall Replacement Fund to cover the cost of the following activities as soon as adequate funds are available:

- Selecting and commissioning design and production of sculptures of Chief Joseph, Abigail Scott Duniway, and Mark Odom Hatfield, including the creation of pedestals and any desired inscriptions;
- Transporting and displaying the statues and pedestals of Abigail Scott Duniway and Mark Odom Hatfield in the United States Capitol and other costs associated with the unveiling ceremony;
- Installing the statue and pedestal of Chief Joseph to the Oregon State Capitol for display until the State of Idaho obtains approval for the placement of the Chief in National Statuary Hall;
- Removing the statues of John McLoughlin and Jason Lee from the National Statuary Hall, and transporting and installing them to the Oregon State Capitol; and
- Writing to the Architect of the Capitol and the State of Idaho to coordinate these activities.

At this time, the full fiscal impact of this bill is indeterminate depending on the statues to be commissioned. The bill stipulates that the required work should only be performed if adequate funds are available. Currently, there are no available funds, and no mechanism or resources for fundraising. As a ballpark point of reference, based on information and calculations provided by the Oregon Historical Society in 2015, assuming a fundraising goal of \$900,000 to cover the expense of commissioning, transfer, and placement of statues, the cost of contracting with a fundraiser to plan and implement the campaign, including producing request for proposals to vendors, and soliciting gifts from donor is projected at \$225,000. Given these rough estimates, the total cost is estimated at \$1,125,000 total funds.