

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 1569 - A**

78th Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2016 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office

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Versions are Considered Official*

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**Measure Description:**

Establishes Legislative Policy and Research Committee and directs committee to select Legislative Policy and Research Director.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), Legislative Assembly, Legislative Counsel Committee

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

	<b>2015-17 Biennium</b>	<b>2017-19 Biennium</b>
General Fund		
Personal Services		1,696,316
Services & Supplies		36,816
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,733,132</b>
Positions		4
FTE		11.83

**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 1569 establishes the Legislative Policy and Research Committee (LPRC) as a joint committee of the Legislative Assembly. LPRC is charged with preparing and assisting in the preparation of legislative research, facilitating the development of legislative policy, and providing advice and assistance to legislative committees. The bill effectually expands the duties of Committee Services, moving the office out of Legislative Administration Committee (LAC), and transferring the following existing duties from the Legislative Administration Committee (LAC) to LPRC by the 2017-19 biennium:

- overseeing the coordination and support of clerical and administrative services to legislative standing and interim committees;
- providing research facilities and services to members and committees of the legislature;
- providing certain administrative staff assistance required by the financial estimate committee;
- providing certain administrative staff assistance required by the explanatory statement committee;
- providing staff support to certain task forces;
- providing certain administrative staff support for the Sister State Committee, and the Oregon-China Sister State Committee

The fiscal impact of this bill on the Legislative Branch is \$1,733,132, 4 positions, 11.83 FTE for the 2017-19 biennium. In order to comply with the provisions of this bill, LPRC would need the existing budget and position authority from Committee Services and additional funds to:

- reclassify the Committee Services Manager position to Director position, and establish one Assistant Director position;
- establish four new full-time Committee Administrator positions (4.00 FTE);

- bring seven part-time Committee Administrators to full-time status (6.5 FTE); and
- pay for Administrative Support Specialists (0.33 FTE ) during legislative sessions.

In addition, the bill transfers the responsibility of binding enrolled laws and joint resolutions passed at each session of the Legislative Assembly from LAC to the Legislative Counsel Committee. This provision is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact on the Legislative Counsel Committee.