

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: HB 4075 - A

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Measure Description:

Replaces School Safety Hotline established by Department of Justice with statewide tip line established by Department of State Police for anonymous reporting of information concerning threats to student safety.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Justice, Oregon State Police (OSP)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

Agency -- Fund Type	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Oregon State Police -- General Fund		
Vendor Costs	\$714,141	\$1,489,083
Position Costs	\$285,859	\$508,142
Total Costs	\$1,000,000	\$1,997,225
Positions/FTE	3 / 1.50	3 / 2.54

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:

The measure directs the Department of State Police (OSP) to establish a statewide tip line for students and members of the public to confidentially report information on threats to student safety. The measure requires specific written policies and procedures for the tip line to be established by OSP and allows the Department to accept gifts, grants and donations from any source to fund the tip line. The measure includes a \$1 million General Fund appropriation to the Department of State Police for the 2015-17 biennium to establish and operate the tip line.

Previously the Department of Justice operated a School Safety Hotline, established through HB 3647 (2001), which was funded through a one-time Federal Funds grant. The hotline has not been in operation for over a decade. There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Justice as a result of this measure.

OSP has released a request for proposal (RFP) to potential vendors for the operation of a tip line, however the RFP did not include community colleges, universities, private and career schools that are included in HB 4075. OSP anticipates the need for two permanent positions, a Project Manager 3 and PA 2, and one limited duration Administrative Specialist position to oversee implementation and administration of the tip line system.

The costs listed in the table above include OSP estimates related to positions and potential vendor payments. OSP notes that with the inclusion of additional types of schools not included in the original RFP, the costs for a third-party vendor to operate the tip line may exceed the amount estimated above.