

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Transfers information technology security functions of certain state agencies in executive branch to State Chief Information Officer.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Statewide

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

The measure transfers positions from some state agencies to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Office of the State Chief Information Officer (OSCIO). Proposed 2017-19 rates to be charged by DAS will need to be adjusted to align with implementation costs, with the intent of making the changes in the measure cost neutral to state government overall. Given the changes and new responsibilities in the bill, it is unclear whether there will be additional costs or savings incurred by DAS OSCIO or affected state agencies beyond the redistribution of funds and staff, and, therefore, the total cost is indeterminate at this time.

Analysis:

This measure reassigns responsibility for information technology security from most state agencies to the Office of the State Chief Information Officer (OSCIO) and transfers records, contracts, property, and positions related to these functions from these agencies to the OSCIO. The measure also establishes the Oregon Cybersecurity Advisory Council to advise the State Chief Information Officer on cybersecurity issues and to provide a forum for such issues to be discussed. The OSCIO must submit a plan for the establishment of the Oregon Cybersecurity Center of Excellence to an appropriate legislative committee by January 1, 2019.

Due to the timing of implementation of the measure, it is projected that DAS will have costs of approximately \$8.5 million and will need an additional 36 positions. Since the intention is that these positions and costs are eliminated from state agency budgets, it is anticipated that there will be no overall cost increase or decrease to the state budget. However, DAS has stated that the OSCIO may need administrative support for this new unit and may request additional staff and funding in the future and several agencies note that state government service charges potentially may need to be increased depending on how the measure is implemented.

While the transfer of current resources is cost neutral, it cannot be determined at this time whether there will be additional costs or savings as the measure is implemented. Ultimately, the actions of the OSCIO in implementing the new responsibilities will be a major factor in costs and/or savings for individual agencies and state government as a whole.