House Bill 3291

Sponsored by Representative SMITH G

SUMMARY

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Directs Oregon Department of Administrative Services, in coordination with Legislative Fiscal Officer and Legislative Revenue Officer, to prepare biennial budget stress test report that estimates effects on state finances of hypothetical negative economic conditions.

Directs department to submit report to Legislative Assembly in last calendar quarter of each even-numbered year.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to budget stress testing.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
 - <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) Each biennium, the Oregon Department of Administrative Services, in coordination with the Legislative Fiscal Officer and the Legislative Revenue Officer, shall prepare a budget stress test report that estimates the effects on state finances of hypothetical economic conditions.
 - (2) The budget stress test report:
 - (a) Must include consideration of at least two sets of hypothetical economic conditions, with one set of conditions simulating a mild economic downturn and another set of conditions simulating a severe economic downturn;
 - (b) Must estimate the effects of each set of hypothetical economic conditions on state finances, including, at a minimum, effects on revenues, demand for government services, expenditures and levels of formal or informal reserves;
 - (c) Must compare the effects of each set of hypothetical economic conditions with the effects of baseline conditions representing no economic downturn; and
 - (d) Must include recommendations for prudent amounts of reserve funds.
 - (3) The department shall submit the budget stress test report to the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided by ORS 192.245 in the last calendar quarter of each even-numbered year at the same time the department reports the estimate required by ORS 291.342 (2) during that quarter.

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