

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 291

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Measure Description:

Allows governing body of county, city or district to authorize persons to exercise authority regarding Emergency Conflagration Act.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon State Police (OSP), Cities, Counties, Special Districts, Office of the Governor

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement has been submitted to transmit the measure from the Senate Committee on Business and General Government to the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

The measure would permit governing bodies of counties, cities, and special districts to delegate emergency powers to their members, officers, or other persons (“delegates”) pursuant to the Emergency Conflagration Act. Delegates would be able to request additional firefighting forces and/or equipment from the Governor or a designee of the Governor in response to a fire. Delegates would also be authorized to execute documents to mobilize fire-fighting forces and/or equipment, covering issues such as succession of command, incident management integration, local fire official responsibilities and logistical support, sharing of information, emergency management planning for evacuations, or fire investigations. The measure would prohibit the Governor or the Governor’s designee from limiting or refusing to provide fire-fighting forces or equipment, even if a fire would not threaten a standing structure.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Oregon State Police (State Fire Marshal), Cities, Counties, Special Districts, and the Office of the Governor.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.

Further Analysis Required