

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: SB 772 - 2

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Forest Health Enhancement to design program for carrying out certain forest-related activities.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Forestry (ODF), Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI), Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB), Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC), Commission on Indian Services (CIS), Legislative Assembly, Association of Oregon Counties

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

SB 772 with the -2 amendment creates the 14- to 16-member Task Force on Forest Health Enhancement charged with developing recommendations for achieving forest health enhancement through a statewide program that is similar to the federal 21st Century Conservation Service Corps. The task force must report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature before the start of the 2020 legislative session. All members of the task force serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2020.

The fiscal impact of this measure is anticipated to be minimal. The Department of Forestry (ODF) is directed to provide staffing support to the task force. The Higher Education Coordinating Commission, the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board, the Legislative Commission on Indian Services, the Association of Oregon Counties, the Bureau of Labor and Industries, and the Legislative Assembly are required to serve on the task force. These entities anticipate reprioritizing the duties and responsibilities of existing staff to support the task force, including attending task force meetings, collecting data, providing analysis, and preparing the report to the Legislative Assembly.