

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

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**Measure: SB 928 - 8**

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**Measure Description:**

Establishes Oregon Climate Authority.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Public Utility Commission (PUC), Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Water Resources Department (WRD)

**Analysis:**

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The legislation establishes the Oregon Climate Authority (OCA) and the Oregon Climate Board to pursue policies and programs related to energy and climate policy. The director of the OCA will be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. Members of the Board are not entitled to compensation but may be reimbursed for actual and necessary travel and other valid expenses. The measure also abolishes the Oregon Department of Energy, moving the existing energy programs to the new OCA; transfers the Small Scale Local Energy Project Loan Fund and program to the Oregon Business Development Department; and transfers the Greenhouse Gas Reporting program from the Department of Environmental Quality to the new OCA.

The bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact associated with the transfer of existing programs between agencies and creation of a new state agency. A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required