FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Eliminates mandatory inspection of onions.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

The legislation repeals statutes related to mandatory onion inspection; specifically, the requirements of a certificate of grade before sale or transport of onions, onion labeling, seizure of unlawful onions, and Oregon Department of Agriculture's (ODA) right to access for the purpose of onion inspection.

One-time costs associated with repealing existing Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs), related to onion inspection, are anticipated to be minimal and absorbable within existing budgetary parameters for ODA. The agency will also observe a decrease in workload related to onion inspection however not a significant enough reduction to warrant position reductions. The maximum reduction in Other Funds revenue associated with the loss of user fee revenue is estimated to be \$75,000 per biennium. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that the aforementioned revenue loss is not a statistically significant reduction of total Other Funds, therefore no additional budget adjustments are necessary for the 2019-21 biennium.