FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Eliminates sunset for funding dedicated to State Department of Fish and Wildlife fish restoration and enhancement program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are already assumed in the ODFW budget - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
Other Funds	3,944,151	6,605,170
Total Funds	\$3,944,151	\$6,605,170
Positions	2	46
FTE	1.50	12.88

Summary of Revenue Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
Other Funds	3,362,250	5,900,712
Total Funds	\$3,362,250	\$5,900,712

Analysis:

The bill removes the sunset date, currently set at December 31,2019; on the collection of fees which support the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) Restoration and Enhancement (R & E) Program. Furthermore, the sunset, currently set on January 2, 2022, for the Columbia River Fisheries Enhancement Fund (CRFEF) is repealed and the operative date of amendments which would abolish a steelhead and sturgeon recreational fishing endorsement, capped at \$9.75 per annual license, are extended to January 2, 2024. The bill also extends the ability for ODFW to provide endorsement access to youth and pioneer license holders until December 31, 2023; instead of December 31, 2021.

Revenues for the R&E Program support two full-time positions which include a Natural Resource Specialist 3, and an Administrative Specialist 2. Revenues for the CRFEF support forty-four positions which are mostly seasonal Experimental Biology Aides.

Revenues and expenditures for the Restoration and Enhancement (R & E) Program and the Columbia River Fisheries Enhancement Fund are assumed in the ODFW 2019-21 budget (SB 5510). No budgetary adjustments are necessary unless this legislation isn't ratified. The Legislative Fiscal Office notes that while expenditures exceed projected revenues in the 2021-23 biennium, the fund has a substantial ending balance that will need to be spent down.