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Measure Description:

Requires State Fish and Wildlife Commission to establish and prescribe fees for multiyear resident and nonresident hunting licenses.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Analysis:

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

The legislation would require the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to offer multiyear licenses, including resident and nonresident hunting multiyear licenses. Agent fees for multiyear hunting licenses would be set at \$5 each.

Further analysis is required related to the impact to revenues; which will depend on how the agency implements the duration of the multi-year licenses (i.e. 2-year, 5-year, 10-year, etc.), which licenses are selected for multi-year issuance, and any potential discounts for multi-year licenses. The aforementioned factors will also influence the solvency of the \$5 agent fee; currently ODFW charges a \$2 agent fee for most yearly licenses and retains \$1 for costs associated with credit card fees.

The agency will incur costs related to rulemaking and contract labor with the licensing system vendor to develop functionality to support multiyear licensing sales. 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