

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**Measure: SB 723 - MRB**80th Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2019 Regular Session
Legislative Fiscal Office***Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed
Versions are Considered Official***Prepared by: Meg Bushman-Reinhold
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Date: May 23, 2019**Measure Description:**

Directs Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to study population dynamics of coyotes in Oregon.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium
General Fund	\$669,900	\$669,900
Lottery Funds		
Other Funds		
Federal Funds		
Total Funds	\$669,900	\$669,900
Positions	0	0
FTE	0.00	0.00

Analysis:

SB 723 -AMR11 directs the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to study population dynamics of coyotes in Oregon, and to make findings and recommendations on whether the coyote population needs to be regulated, either by the agency itself or by other entities. The bill also directs ODFW to report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by September 15, 2020. SB 723 MR-A11 includes an emergency clause, and would be effective upon passage.

ODFW estimates that a study of this magnitude would require at least 4 years: one year of initial planning to organize the structure of the work, two years for doing the actual survey work, and one year to finalize and write up findings. Assuming this kind of study would be done as a density estimate survey, with the state divided into 7 zones, the estimated cost is \$669,900 General Fund for the 2019-21 biennium and \$669,900 General Fund for the 2021-23 biennium. ODFW would likely contract with a university for the study.