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To: Capital Construction Subcommittee

From: Gregory Jolivette, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: February 25, 2020

Subject: SB 1569 – Relating to towing
Work Session Recommendations

SB 1569 establishes the State Board of Towing within the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) to investigate consumer complaints against towers and take disciplinary action for violations of towing-related rules and laws. Specifically, the board may (1) order ODOT to deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to reissue a towing business certificate; (2) order the Department of the State Police to deny, suspend, revoke, or refuse to reissue a letter of appointment to participate on the rotational list of towing businesses; or, (3) impose civil penalties.

The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor to four-year terms. The board is authorized to adopt administrative rules and establish a fee to fully cover the expenses of the program. Fees and other revenues are to be deposited into a newly created State Board of Towing Account. Moneys deposited into the account are continuously appropriated to ODOT.

ODOT estimates the bill will cost \$241,650 and require the establishment of two positions (1.08 FTE) in 2019-21. This increases to \$446,122 and 2.00 FTE in 2021-23.

The -A3 amendment adds Other Funds expenditure limitation to the bill, changes the operative date of most provisions of the bill to January 1, 2021, and provides that persons subject to discipline by the board are entitled to a contested case hearing under ORS 183.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the -A3 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the -A3 amendment to SB 1569. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that SB 1569, as amended by the -A3 amendment, to be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 1569, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

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