

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 50 - 1**

81st Oregon Legislative Assembly – 2021 Regular Session  
Legislative Fiscal Office

*Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed  
Versions are Considered Official*

Prepared by: Tim Walker  
Reviewed by: Gregory Jolivet, Doug Wilson  
Date: 03/24/2021

**Measure Description:**

Requires operators, employees and volunteers of preschool recorded programs and school-age recorded programs to be enrolled in Central Background Registry.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Education (ODE), Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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

**Summary of Expenditure Impact:**

	<b>2021-23 Biennium</b>	<b>2023-25 Biennium</b>
General Fund	\$698,902	\$1,071,941
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$698,902</b>	<b>\$1,071,941</b>
Positions	5	5
FTE	2.53	5.00

**Analysis:** The measure requires personnel associated with recorded programs for preschool and school-aged children to enroll in the Central Background Registry and provides that school-aged recorded programs may not operate without registering with the Office of Child Care. The Office of Child Care may conduct certain investigations of preschool recorded programs and school-age recorded programs to determine when a serious complaint is filed. Responsibility for background checks would be transferred from the Department of Human Services to the Office of Child Care.

The Oregon Department of Education (ODE) would require one Administrative Specialist 1 (0.58 FTE), one Office Specialist 2 (0.21 FTE), and three Compliance Specialist 2 positions (1.74 FTE) to administer background checks. These positions would be phased-in prior to the operative date of the measure to allow for recruitment and training. Currently, the state pays the cost of the background checks for licensed facilities. ODE estimates that adding the recorded programs, there will be an additional 2,000 background checks per year at \$75 per background check for a total of \$150,000. These resources are included in the Governor’s proposed budget for ODE and if approved will be part of the agency’s budget.

The Department of Human Services does not anticipate a fiscal impact due to the provisions of this bill.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State’s General Fund.