REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

81st Oregon Legislative Assembly 2021 Regular Session Legislative Revenue Office Bill Number: HB 2008 - A6
Revenue Area: Property Tax
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Measure Description:

Provides tax exemption for property of religious organization held or used solely to provide affordable housing to low income households, conditional on 60-year affordable housing covenant.

Revenue Impact:

The revenue impact may be negative, but the magnitude is indeterminate.

Impact Explanation:

For properties that are currently owned by religious institutions and currently exempt, the passage of this bill, and the subsequent development of those properties into qualifying affordable housing property will result in no change in local tax revenue, as both would be exempt. However, there are additional situations that may occur that are not captured in that scenario. Religious institutions may currently own and operate affordable housing properties that do not qualify for property tax exemption. The passage of this bill and the qualification of those properties would result in a property tax revenue loss. Religious institutions may also choose to purchase properties and then develop them into low-income housing. These scenarios may result in a property tax loss.

Creates, Extends, or	Expands Ta	ax Expenditure:	Yes	⊠ No	
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The purpose of this measure is to increase the supply of affordable housing in the state.