

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2499 - 3

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Measure Description:

Extends automatic voter registration to Oregon Health Authority and any state agency designated by Governor.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Secretary of State (SOS), Department of Revenue (DOR), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), County Clerks

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

HB 2499 with the -3 amendment replaces the original measure and authorizes the Department of Revenue (DOR) to disclose address information from individual tax returns to the Secretary of State (SOS). The measure allows SOS Secretary to use this information to verify the accuracy of the addresses of electors contained in the centralized voter registration system. In addition, the measure allows the Secretary of State to develop an application programming interface to allow third-party organizations to securely submit registration cards electronically on behalf of individuals. The measure allows the Secretary of State to obtain electronic signatures from ODOT for purposes of voter registration.

Secretary of State (SOS)

The Secretary of State estimates the fiscal impact of this measure to be \$209,843 General Fund and 1 position (1.00 FTE) per biennium. This estimate reflect the cost one Operations and Policy Analyst 2 position to oversee the day-to-day operations of automatic voter registration expansion and data transfers between the Secretary of State and DOR and to provide support for changes to the ORESTAR system.

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Passage of this measure is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact on DOR, ODOT, and county clerks.