FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: HB 3230

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Measure Description:

Establishes universal representation program in Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund		
Personal Services	188,009	188,009
Services and Supplies	14,418	14,418
Special Payments	9,797,573	To Be Determined
Total Funds	\$10,000,000	\$202,427
Positions	1	1
FTE	1.00	1.00

Analysis:

HB 3230 appropriates \$10,000,000 General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to establish the universal representation program. The measure directs DAS contract with a nonprofit organization registered in Oregon that addresses and executes worker relief to serve as the fiscal agent to award grants to organizations to provide services related to immigration matters. The services can include legal services, community-embedded navigators to guide individuals who are at risk of deportation into accessing universal representation, assistance with case costs for immigration proceedings, development of capacity and training to support immigration legal service providers and community navigation. The measure requires the fiscal agent to submit annual report to DAS on the grants awarded. The measure specifies minimum reporting information for this report. DAS is required to report on this program to a committee of the Legislature by June 1 of each year.

This fiscal analysis assumes that "for the purposes of implementing" includes administrative and operational costs which DAS estimates to be \$202,427 General Fund per biennium for one Operations and Policy Analyst 2 position (1.00 FTE) to work with the fiscal agent and to report to the Legislature.

The Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) notes that although the measure creates anew ongoing program, the measure appropriates \$10 million General as a onetime appropriation in the 2021-23 biennium. LFO assumes that funding for this program for 2023-25 and future biennium will be addressed through the biennial budgeting process for the agency.

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

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