FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure: HB 2070 A

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Measure Description:

Extends privilege taxes on merchantable forest products harvested on forestlands.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Revenue (DOR), Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Department of State Lands (DSL), Department of Forestry (ODF), Counties, Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - See explanatory analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

See Analysis.

Analysis: The measure modifies taxes applied to volume of harvested timber, increases permanent tax dedicated to fire suppression, replaces rate cap with permanent tax rate dedicated to funding programs of the Oregon Forest Resources Institute (OFRI) and creates single rate, effective for calendar years 2022 and 2023, allocated to the Administration of the Forest Practices Act, Oregon State University (OSU) Research, and OSU Forestry Education respectively. The measure also restricts use of OFRI funds regarding advertising.

The Legislative Fiscal Office (LFO) believes that since this measure is primarily a revenue bill, the measure will most likely have a minimal fiscal impact on Department of Revenue, Department of Land Conservation and Development, Oregon Judicial Department, Department of State Lands, Counties, and Higher Education Coordinating Commission. LFO requested, but has not received, complete fiscal impact information from agencies affected. If fiscal impact information is provided by the various agencies that contradicts a minimal fiscal, LFO will issue a revised fiscal impact statement.

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