

## **SB 1566 -9 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

### **Senate Committee On Rules**

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Establishes annual salary for members of the Legislative Assembly equal to annual occupational mean wage estimate for Oregon for prior year, as determined by the United States Department of Labor and the state Employment Department. Directs salary to be adjusted to conform to the mean only once every two years. Authorizes child care allowances for members who have children or dependents under age 13. Applies annual cost of living adjustment to monthly interim expense allowance. Applies to pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2023. Effective 91st day after sine die.

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

##### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-9 Establishes annual salary for members of Legislative Assembly equal to annual average wage for all covered employment in Oregon, as published for the prior calendar year by the Employment Department. Authorizes child care reimbursement for members who have one or more children or dependents under age 13, of up to \$1,000 per month, for months January through June of odd-numbered years and January through March of even-numbered years.

##### **BACKGROUND:**

Current statute sets legislator pay at an annual salary that equals one step below the maximum step for the Salary Range 1 in the Management Service Compensation Plan in the executive department, which is currently \$33,852 per year.

Senate Bill 1566 changes the annual legislator pay to the annual occupation mean wage estimate for Oregon for the prior year, beginning on January 1, 2023, and allows for child care allowances and annual cost of living adjustments for interim expense allowance.