# FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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### **Measure Description:**

Establishes the Task Force on Resilient Efficient Buildings and specifies task force membership. Directs the Task Force to consider, in developing recommendations, costs, savings, and benefits of policies that relate to residential, commercial, and industrial buildings. Sunsets the Task Force on December 31, 2023.

## Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO), Legislative Assembly, Statewide

### **Summary of Fiscal Impact:**

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

### Analysis:

Senate Bill 1518, with the -A5 amendments, establishes the Task Force on Resilient Efficient Buildings. The Task Force, which will be comprised of 27 members, must identify and evaluate policies related to building codes and building decarbonization for new and existing buildings that would enable the state of Oregon to meet its greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals; consider, in developing recommendations, costs, savings, and benefits of policies that relate to residential, commercial, and industrial buildings; receive testimony, perform research, consult experts, review appropriate literature, and solicit feedback from disproportionately impacted communities around the state; make policy recommendations for legislation before the 2023 legislative session; and contract with a contractor to provide process facilitation, necessary data, and technical expertise or advice on best practices. The Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO) would support the Task Force and may employ persons if needed for this work, but the services of continuing legislative staff are to be utilized to the greatest extent practicable. All agencies of state government, including the Environmental Justice Task Force and the Environmental Equity Committee of the Racial Justice Council, are directed to assist the Task Force. The measure takes effect on passage, and the Task Force sunsets on December 31, 2023.

#### **Legislative Policy and Research Office**

The 2021-23 LPRO budget includes resources to support legislative committees, workgroups, and task forces. Due to task force charge complexity and subject matter, LPRO anticipates needing one limited duration Senior Legislative Analyst position (0.67 FTE in 2021-23, 0.25 FTE in 2023-25) to support the work of the Task Force with subject matter expertise, organizational support, and coordination with the contractor for services, at a cost of \$179,359 General Fund in the 2021-23 biennium and \$64,259 General Fund in 2023-25. Additionally, the measure directs LPRO to contract for services that include process facilitation, data, technical expertise, or advice on best practices related to the work of the Task Force. The cost of this contract is presently unknown; however, it is anticipated to total no more than \$150,000 through the sunset of the Task Force on December 31, 2023, with \$100,000 anticipated to be expended in the 2021-23 biennium.

#### **Legislative Assembly**

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on the Legislative Assembly. Four members of the Task Force will be legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. Currently, resources are budgeted for members of the Legislative Assembly to participate in interim committees, boards, and Task Forces. However, if the work required by this Task Force or the cumulative enactment of other

legislation with interim committees, boards, and task forces exceed expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2021-23 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required.

## Statewide (State Agencies)

The measure directs all agencies of state government, including the Environmental Justice Task Force and the Environmental Equity Committee of the Racial Justice Council, to assist the Task Force. The impact to state agencies is anticipated to be minimal.