

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 4133 - A

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Measure Description:

Requires electronic voter registration system to allow qualified individual to register to vote if individual has Social Security number.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Secretary of State (SOS), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Counties

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Analysis:

House Bill 4133 A-engrossed requires the Secretary of State’s (SOS) electronic voter registration system to allow qualified individuals to register to vote using the last four digits of their Social Security number and electronically submit an image of their signature. If available, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) must provide SOS with a digital copy of the driver license, driver permit, or state identification card signature of each individual who completes this registration. The measure also authorizes SOS to promulgate rules to allow approved third-party organizations to submit registration cards electronically on behalf of individuals. The measure has an implementation date of no later than January 1, 2026.

Secretary of State

To comply with the measure and implement the system changes to the electronic voter registration system by January 1, 2026, the Elections Division anticipates needing two positions (1.00 FTE) starting in the 2023-25 biennium. These positions include a permanent, full-time Operations and Policy Analyst 3 to oversee the program’s implementation, testing, troubleshooting, and manage the program and system interface between the SOS Elections Division and Information Services Division; and a limited duration, full-time Program Analyst 3 to work on rulemaking, stakeholder engagement, creating policy requirements, policy implementation, and other public facing requirements. The Elections Division also anticipates one-time costs of \$140,000 to integrate the changes to electronic voter registration system, which include costs for development, system modification, testing, and deployment. The estimated total fiscal impact to the Elections Division, including both one-time and ongoing program costs, is \$463,779 General Fund in 2023-25. SOS would request funding for the program in a policy option package as part of its 2023-25 budget request.

Oregon Department of Transportation and Counties

The measure is anticipated to have a minimal fiscal impact on the Oregon Department of Transportation and no fiscal impact on counties.