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Measure: SB 1536

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Measure Description:

Limits restrictions on portable cooling devices in residences by landlords, homeowners' associations, condominium associations, and local governments.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD), Oregon Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Human Services (DHS), Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Cities, Counties

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Housing and Development to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Senate Bill 1536 prohibits landlords from executing termination notices during extreme heat and must provide cooling assistance to tenants in manufactured dwellings, recreational vehicle parks, and multifamily structures with five or more dwelling units where fewer than half of units can install and use portable cooling devices, not including fans. The measure establishes the Residential Energy Upgrade Loan Fund and appropriates \$5 million General Fund to the Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) for the Residential Energy Upgrade Loan Fund. The measure establishes the Residential Heat Pump Rebate Fund and appropriates \$10 million General Fund to ODOE for the Residential Heat Pump Rebate Fund, which sunsets on January 2, 2025. The measure requires certain landlords to submit proposal to implement a cooling strategy to the Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD), which shall provide technical assistance to landlords seeking acquisition of cooling technology and devices. The measure appropriates \$700,000 General Fund to HCSD. The measure expands the Department of Human Services (DHS) grant program for local governments to establish emergency shelters and upgrade public building facilities to include warming and cooling as acceptable uses of grant funds, and it appropriates \$2 million General Fund to DHS. The measure takes effect on passage.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Housing and Community Services Department, Oregon Department of Energy, Department of Human Services, Department of Consumer and Business Services, Cities, and Counties.

Further Analysis Required

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

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