FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Authorizes self-service dispensing of Class 1 flammable liquids at retail dispensary.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT), Oregon State Police (OSP)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2021-23 Biennium	2023-25 Biennium
General Fund	\$543,376	\$764,610
Total Funds	\$543,376	\$764,610
Positions	5	4
FTE	2.01	3.50

Analysis: The measure authorizes self-service dispensing of Class 1 flammable liquids at a retail dispensary and authorizes and provides that no more than half of dispensaries fuel pumps may be self-service and provides for civil fines may be imposed by the State Fire Marshal. The measure also outlines the signage required for retail dispensaries.

The State Fire Marshal (OSFM) anticipates needing a permanent Principal Executive Manager D position (0.25 FTE) to develop and implement program policies and procedures and coordinate with stakeholders. This position would be funded partially with General Fund and partially with fee revenue from the other programs within the State Fire Marshal. Additionally, OSFM anticipates needing a permanent full-time Operations and Policy Analyst 2 position (0.50 FTE) to establish the regulatory framework, write rules and develop and implement education. Two Compliance Specialist 2 positions (0.76 FTE), one limited duration and one permanent, to investigate complaints and one permanent Public Service Representative 4 position (0.50 FTE) to respond to complaints, and advise station owners and the public on the law, rules, and policies associated with the program

Typically, OSFM investigates 10 complaints per year. In 2020, when self-service was authorized during the pandemic, OSFM experienced a substantial increase in complaints and investigations. OSFM anticipates this trend will continue with the expansion of self-service. Previously, self-dispensaries covered 243 stations and the measure would expand that to approximately 1,141 stations.

Oregon Department of Transportation and the Oregon Department of Agriculture do not anticipate a fiscal impact due to this measure.