

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Legislative Fiscal Office

Measure: HB 5201 - A

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Measure Description:

Approves certain new or increased fees adopted by state agencies.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN), Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

HB 5201 - A is the omnibus fee ratification bill for the 2022 Legislative Session. Under ORS 291.055, proposed fee changes in between legislative sessions must be administratively approved by the Department of Administrative Services, and then must be ratified at the next regular Legislative Session.

This bill contains fee modifications for the Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), and Oregon State Board of Nursing (OSBN) as detailed below.

Oregon Health Authority

This measure ratifies a variety of fees charged by the OHA Health Licensing Office (HLO).

This includes establishing application, license, and license renewal fees for the new Genetic Counseling Program within HLO, as authorized by HB 2619 (2021). Application fees will be \$150, while license and license renewal fees are set at \$50. Estimated program revenue is \$15,000 in the 2021-23 biennium. This measure also establishes temporary license renewal, replacement of license, late renewal, affidavit of licensure, and administrative fees. Because this is a new program the number of licensees is unknown so fee levels will be monitored in this biennium and next to ensure a sufficient level of operating reserves; however, HLO anticipates program expenditures this biennium to total \$12,000 so fee levels are assumed to be sufficient to cover costs for the upcoming biennium.

This measure includes fee increases for the Respiratory Therapist and Polysomnographic Technologist Licensing Board. Fees were last increased in 2012 and are no longer sufficient to support current program levels. Application, exam, and license and license renewal fees will all be increased, and are estimated to increase revenues by \$167,000 in the 2021-23 biennium.

Finally, this measure increases fees charged by Board of Cosmetology, which is also located in HLO. These fees were last increased in 2011 and changes in the measure include increasing practitioner certificate renewal fees from \$45 to \$65 for two years, original facility license fees from \$110 to \$155, examination fees from \$35 to \$45, among other adjustments. These changes are estimated to increase revenues for the Board by \$2.1 million in the 2021-23 biennium.

Oregon Department of Agriculture

This measure establishes one hemp-related fee, of \$75 for an industrial hemp grower criminal record check. This fee is a result of HB 3000 (2021) which requires ODA to conduct criminal background checks for grower applications. Fee revenue will reimburse ODA for the costs of conducting the criminal records check. Estimated revenue is \$375,000 in the 2021-23 biennium.

This measure also increases commercial feed registration fees from \$20 to \$40; increases commercial feed nonmanufacturing license fees from \$100 to \$150; and increases commercial feeds manufacturing license fees, which are charged by tonnage distributed. Fees were last increased prior to 2006. This is estimated to increase revenues by \$251,700 in the 2021-23 biennium. SB 36 (2021) increased the statutory cap for these fees and the Department's budget bill, SB 5502 (2021) assumed fee increases would be brought forward to sustain the program.

Oregon State Board of Nursing

This measure increases fingerprinting fees from \$52 to \$58 for OSBN. The Oregon State Police recently increased fingerprinting fees, and this in turn has increased fees for OSBN licensees who must have a background check performed as part of the licensing process. This change is anticipated to increase revenues by \$174,000 in the 2021-23 biennium.