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Measure Description:

Directs Oregon State University Extension Service and Oregon State University Agricultural Experiment Station to establish agricultural water management technical assistance program.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Fish and Wildlife, Special Districts Association of Oregon, Department of Agriculture, Higher Education Coordinating Commission, Water Resources Department, Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Agriculture, Land Use, Natural Resources, and Water to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

The measure directs the Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service and the OSU Agricultural Experiment Station to jointly establish a voluntary and incentive-based agricultural water management technical assistance program. Initial estimates from OSU are that this will cost \$5.2 million General Fund to implement in the 2023-25 biennium, but these numbers have not yet been evaluated by the Legislative Fiscal Office and are subject to change.

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

Further Analysis Required