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Measure Description:

Requires Housing and Community Services Department to report to Legislative Assembly on homeownership disparities by September 15 of each even-numbered year.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Land Conservation and Development, Bureau of Labor and Industries, Housing and Community Services Department, Department of Consumer and Business Services

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

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

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2023-25 Biennium	2025-27 Biennium
Housing and Community Services Deaprtment		
General Fund		
Personal Services	\$349,227	
Services and Supplies	\$109,700	
Total General Fund	\$458,927	\$0
Total Fiscal Impact	\$458,927	\$0
Total Positions	2	0
Total FTE	1.76	0.00

Analysis: The measure directs the Housing and Community Services Department (HCSD), the Department of Land Conservation and Development (DLCD), and the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) to report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly on measurable changes in disparities in homeownership by communities of color in Oregon and progress made on recommendations of the Joint Task Force on Addressing Racial Disparities in Homeownership. HCSD may contract with the Fair Housing Council of Oregon or other nonprofits to collect and analyze relevant data for the report, to be delivered on or before September 15 of each even-numbered year until January 2, 2035. The measure also directs HCSD to partner with culturally responsive and specific organizations to convene one or more peer learning and networking events and or one or more virtual training programs for housing counselors, and conduct a review and provide recommendations for streamlining homeownership program evaluation and reporting procedures. The measure appropriates \$200,000 General Fund for work with culturally responsive and specific organizations.

HCSD is also directed, in coordination with DCBS and the Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) to inventory and evaluate existing local, state, and national materials for financial literacy programs for home purchasers and existing homeowners and develop a financial literacy brochure translated into the five most spoken languages, other than English, in Oregon. The measure takes effect January 1, 2024.

HCSD estimates it will require one limited duration Program Analyst 3 (0.75 FTE) to assist homeownership organizations, convene peer learning and networking events, evaluate various homeownership programs, and

develop a report on down payment assistance that is to be delivered to the Housing Stability Council by June 30, 2024. HCSD also anticipates needing one limited duration Program Analyst 4 (0.75 FTE) to create a financial literacy pamphlet, review resources from other state agencies and federal sources, and create administrative rules. Additional costs include an estimated \$50,000 for training facilitation.

No costs are included for the 2025-27 biennium as HCSD will look at program needs following the results of the evaluation of resources used by homeownership programs.

BOLI and DCBS anticipate a minimal fiscal impact due to this bill. DLCD does not anticipate a fiscal impact from this measure.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of its budgetary impact on the State's General Fund.