

**FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

**Measure: SB 935 - A**

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**Measure Description:**

Prohibits landlords from denying application for tenancy based on certain rental or financial screening or admissions criteria if applicant is refugee from Ukraine.

**Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Department of Transportation, Department of Human Services, Bureau of Labor and Industries, Housing and Community Services Department

**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
<b>Department of Transportation</b>		
<b>General Fund</b>		
Personal Services	\$21,000	\$0
Services and Supplies	\$50,442	\$0
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$71,442</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Analysis:**

SB 935-A prohibits a landlord from using rental or financial information to reject an application for tenancy if the applicant is a refugee from Ukraine. Additionally, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is directed to waive up to two license replacements when the department issues a driver license to a Ukrainian refugee. The Office of Immigrant and Refugee Advancement is required to provide information to all ODOT field offices where driver licenses and vehicle registrations are processed, and the measure prescribes requirements for these materials. The measure permits other documentation for proof of identification when a Ukrainian refugee applies for a license. These requirements are repealed January 2, 2028. The measure appropriates \$50,000 General Fund to ODOT to implement the provisions of the bill. Provisions related to waiving ODOT fees and alternative acceptable documentation for obtaining a license become operative 90 days following the implementation of the measure. ODOT is permitted to take any action before the operative date of January 1, 2024, to prepare for implementation.

To implement the measure in 2023-25, existing ODOT employees will need to assist customers with documentation and waivers, program IT systems, update written materials, consult with the Department of Justice on rule implementation, and cover license production and mailing costs, projected to total \$71,442 based on an estimate of 2,300 Ukrainian refugees seeking licensure. The projected costs exceed the amount appropriated by the measure. Foregone revenue to ODOT’s Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division due to license fee waiver provisions in the bill is anticipated to total \$200,300 Other Funds for the 2023-25 and \$59,800 Other Funds for the 2025-27 biennium.

This measure has a minimal fiscal impact to the Department of Human Services and the Bureau of Labor and Industries, and no fiscal impact to the Housing and Community Services Department.

This measure requires budgetary action for the allocation of General Fund.