

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Measure Description:

Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Department of State Police for biennium beginning July 1, 2023, to increase capability of department's forensic laboratories to conduct analyses of blood for controlled substances.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of State Police

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

The measure provides a one-time, unspecified General Fund appropriation to Oregon State Police (OSP) in the 2023-25 biennium to increase the capability of forensic laboratories established by the Department to conduct analyses of blood for controlled substances in addition to alcohol content. The measure is effective January 1, 2024.

The fiscal impact is indeterminate. The measure’s language regarding the Department’s ability to “increase the capability of the forensic laboratories” is vague and could range between additional equipment, new or expanded facilities, or any number of positions. The ability of the Department to “increase capability” will be entirely dependent on the General Fund provided.

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