

Bill #: HB 4004 **Title:** Child Labor**Subject:** Labor
Position: **Staff:** ML**Status:** Chapter 1, (2024 Laws): Effective date June 6, 2024.

Digest: The Act changes the state law that governs civil penalties imposed against a person who violates child labor laws. The Act goes into effect 91 days after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).

Digest: The Act changes the state law that governs when BOLI can impose civil penalties against a person who violates child labor laws. The Act goes into effect 91 days after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).^{ATM}

Increases civil penalties for violating child labor laws. Allows the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries to impose civil penalties against a person for violating the child labor laws when the person has paid a civil penalty to the United States Department of Labor for a violation involving the same facts. Removes the requirement for the commissioner to refund any previously assessed civil penalties against the person when the person has already paid a civil penalty to the United States Department of Labor.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4005 **Title:** Employment for Unemployment**Subject:** Labor
Position: **Staff:** ML**Status:** In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act makes changes to state law to clarify the meaning of an individual's performance of services. The Act takes effect 91 days after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).

Clarifies when an employee is employed by employing unit or employer for a single hour of work for purposes of unemployment insurance and paid family and medical leave programs.

Requires the Director of the Employment Department to issue a refund to a paying entity that paid the employer contribution amounts on behalf of an employer with respect to employees for hours of work in which the employees did not perform services for the paying entity.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4006 **Title:** Surety Bonds vs Retainage**Subject:** Public Contracting
Position: **Staff:** ML**Status:** Chapter 2, (2024 Laws): Effective date March 7, 2024.

Digest: Requires state agencies to accept surety bonds from people who perform construction work for the state, instead of holding onto some of the money the agencies owe for the work, in order to make sure the work is done correctly. Gives a form for the surety bond. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.5).

Requires a contracting agency to accept from contractors surety bonds in lieu of retainage for construction projects and public improvement contracts. Specifies requirements for submitting surety bonds. Specifies relations between a contractor and a subcontractor when the contractor submits a surety bond on behalf of the subcontractor.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4009 **Title:** Public Safety RC**Subject:** Public Safety
Position: **Staff:** ML**Status:** In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act directs the CJC to study ways to address the use of drugs in public places. The Act directs the CJC to provide the results of the study to the legislature by May 1, 2025. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7).

Directs the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to study ways to address the use of controlled substances in public places. Requires the commission to provide the results of the study to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than May 1, 2025.

Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Bill #: HB 4014 **Title:** Beavers**Subject:** Water
Position: **Staff:** ML**Status:** In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act allows agencies to award moneys under a grant program related to living with beavers on private land. The Act directs an agency and a committee to report on the grant program. The Act gives moneys to the agency for the grant program. The Act goes into effect on the 91st day after the 2024 session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.3).

Authorizes the State Department of Fish and Wildlife and the State Fish and Wildlife Commission to award moneys from the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund under a Landowners Living with Beavers Grant Program, on recommendations from the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Advisory Committee. Sunsets the grant program on June 30, 2029.

Directs the department and the committee to jointly report on the grant program to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the environment on or before September 15, 2026.

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for deposit in the Oregon Conservation and Recreation Fund for purposes related to the grant program.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4016 Title: Planned Fires Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act makes certain changes to a program for planned fires. The Act directs an agency to extend the deadline for a grant program for protecting homes from fire. The Act directs agencies to report on creating a program for protecting homes from fire. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.8).

Digest: The Act makes certain changes to a program for planned fires. The Act directs an agency to extend the deadline for a grant program for protecting homes from fire. The Act directs agencies to report on creating a program for protecting homes from fire. The Act creates a fund related to responding to wildfire smoke. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.3).^{Å™}

Makes certain changes to the Prescribed Fire Liability Pilot Program.

Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services to allow a person to apply for a grant under the Fire Hardening Grant Program on or before December 31, 2025.

Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services and the Department of the State Fire Marshal to report, on or before September 15, 2024, to committees or interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to natural resources on a proposal for a proactive home hardening program.

Establishes the Smoke Preparedness and Response Fund in the State Treasury. Continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to the Department of Environmental Quality for assistance with community smoke response plans.^{Å™}

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4017 Title: Mobile Crisis Teams Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act tells OHA to study ways to improve mental health crisis response teams. The Act tells OHA to give the results of the study to the legislature by May 1, 2025. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to study ways to increase the number, capacity and effectiveness of local mobile behavioral health crisis response teams. Requires the authority to provide the results of the study to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than May 1, 2025.

Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Bill #: HB 4024 Title: Campaign Finance Reform Subject: Campaign Finance
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act creates campaign giving and spending limits and new disclosure laws on campaign giving and spending. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).

Digest: Tells the Secretary of State to study money in voting. (Flesch Readability Score 61.3).^{Å™}

Requires the Secretary of State to study how best to improve the campaign finance system in the State of Oregon. Directs the secretary to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to campaign finance not later than September 15, 2025.^{Å™}

Establishes political campaign contribution limits applicable to candidates, political committees and membership organizations.

Authorizes local governments to establish lower limits for local elections.

Requires specified persons to report the original sources of funds used to pay for candidate campaign independent expenditures. Creates exceptions where reporting need not occur or, for donations under \$5,000, where less information is reported. Directs the Secretary of State to develop a web-based campaign finance dashboard to be used to disclose campaign contributions, independent expenditures and other specified data to enhance transparency and to foster research on campaign finance.

Requires the disclosure of specified information on certain political advertising.

Requires public office incumbents who intend to seek reelection to file nominating petitions or declarations of candidacy at least seven days prior to the filing deadline applicable to nonincumbents.

Modifies penalties to ensure compliance with the new campaign finance and disclosure requirements.

Provides that the contribution limits become operative on January 1, 2027, and that the enhanced campaign contribution and independent expenditure reporting requirements become operative on January 1, 2028.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4025 Title: Public Safety RC Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act directs the CJC to study the effect of sentencing on the use of drugs in public places. The Act directs the CJC to provide the results of the study to the legislature by May 1, 2025. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1).

Directs the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to study the deterrent effect of different sentences on the use of controlled substances in public places. Requires the commission to provide the results of the study to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than May 1, 2025.

Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Bill #: HB 4026	Title: Voting Study (Elections RC)	Subject: Elections	Position:	Staff: HW
Status: Speaker signed. Digest: The Act states how certain UGB changes are to be reviewed. (Flesch Readability Score: 87.9). Digest: Tells the Secretary of State to study voting. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). ^{Ä™} Requires the Secretary of State to study how to improve voter access in this state. Directs the secretary to submit the findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to elections not later than September 15, 2025. ^{Ä™} Limits the review of certain local government proposals to modify the local government's urban growth boundary to the process outlined in statute. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.				
Bill #: HB 4027	Title: Government Ethics Study	Subject: Ethics	Position:	Staff: HW
Status: In committee upon adjournment. Digest: Tells the OGEc to study ethics in government. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2). Requires the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to study Oregon's government ethics laws. Directs the commission to submit the findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to government ethics not later than September 15, 2025.				
Bill #: HB 4029	Title: Housing Study	Subject: Housing	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment. Digest: Makes OHCS study and report on housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.8). Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to submit a report to the relevant interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2025.				
Bill #: HB 4030	Title: Public Meetings RC	Subject: Public Meetings	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment. Digest: Requires OGEc to study meetings by public bodies and to submit a report by a stated date. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6). Requires the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to study public meetings. Directs the commission to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.				
Bill #: HB 4031	Title: Public Records RC PDX Records Fix	Subject: Public Records	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: President signed. Digest: Makes local governments keep some tax data and records secret in the same way DOR keeps records or data secret. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6). Digest: Requires PRAC to study public records and submit a report. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). ^{Ä™} Requires the Public Records Advisory Council to study public records. Directs the council to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026. ^{Ä™} Applies confidentiality requirements to local government agencies that collect, administer or manage certain local taxes in the same manner the requirements apply to the Department of Revenue for public records disclosure or other reasons. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.				
Bill #: HB 4035	Title: Unemployment Insurance Taxes	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: President signed. Digest: The Act allows more employment taxes to be used by the Employment Department. The Act takes effect on the 91st day after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.7). Increases the proportion of employer tax revenues paid into the Supplemental Employment Department Administration Fund. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.				
Bill #: HB 4038	Title: Unemployment Employer Taxes	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment. Digest: The Act would give a credit against taxes to employers whose rate for 2025 is less than their rate for the year before. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7). Provides a credit against an employer's 2025 unemployment insurance taxes if the employer's tax rate for 2025 is less than the employer's tax rate for 2022, 2023 and 2024 as determined in accordance with Enrolled House Bill 3389 (2021). Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.				

Bill #: HB 4039 Title: Motor Homes

Subject: General Government
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Makes tax credit for turned-in RV for 2025 to 2030 tax years. Becomes law 91 days from sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).
Establishes an income tax credit for surrender of a motor home or recreational vehicle.
Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and before January 1, 2031.
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4040 Title: Economic Development RC

Subject: Broadband Fixes (Eco Devo RC)
Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act would change how applications for broadband grant programs are reviewed. The Act would make the Oregon State Fair and Expo Center eligible for a grant award to make up for COVID losses. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.4).
Digest: The Act requires a study of the state economy. A report will be submitted by September 15 of next year. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.5).
Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to study economic development in Oregon. Directs the department to submit a report of the study to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to economic development no later than September 15, 2025.
Changes the process for reviewing applications for broadband grant programs.
Makes the Oregon State Fair and Expo Center eligible for a grant award under section 9, chapter 546, Oregon Laws 2023.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4042 Title: Industrial Land Incentives

Subject: Eco Devo
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would promote the use of industrial lands. The Act would let firms develop semiconductors in an e-commerce city in order to get an enterprise zone tax break. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).
Authorizes the Oregon Business Development Department to provide financial assistance to projects related to industrial land. Extends the sunset of the Oregon Industrial Site Readiness Program.
Establishes the Industrial Site Loan Fund in the State Treasury. Appropriates moneys for deposit in the fund for the purpose of funding financial assistance to industrial land projects.
Includes semiconductor-related development activities as an eligible business activity in a city designated for electronic commerce for purposes of the enterprise zone property tax exemption program.
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4044 Title: Earthquake Toxics Study

Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act tells the DEQ to study risks related to toxic inhalation caused by earthquakes. The DEQ must submit a report on its study to the Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2024. The Act takes effect as soon as it is passed. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).
Directs the Department of Environmental Quality to study risks and issues relating to earthquake-induced toxic inhalation. Requires the department to submit a report on the study to a committee of the Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2024.
Authorizes the department to submit recommendations for legislation to the committee by March 1, 2025.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4045 Title: PERS P&F Retirement Ages

Subject: PERS
Position: Oppose Staff: HW

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act makes district attorneys, and some forensic science workers who work for OSP, police officers under PERS. The Act lowers the age at which some police and firefighters can retire. The Act makes a new class of employees in PERS for people who work in hazardous positions. The Act allows those people to retire earlier with higher pensions. The Act makes PERS do studies and reports to the Legislative Assembly. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.9).
Provides that district attorneys, and forensic scientists and evidence technicians employed by the Department of State Police, qualify as police officers under the Public Employees Retirement System.
Lowers the normal retirement age for police officers and firefighters under the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan.
Establishes a new class of hazardous positions under the Public Employees Retirement System and provides increased retirement benefits to members employed in hazardous positions.
Requires the Public Employees Retirement Board to study the likely liability of participating employers for members in hazardous positions and report to appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2028.
Requires the board to report to a committee of the Legislative Assembly during each odd-numbered year regular session on progress toward implementing new benefits for members in hazardous positions.

Bill #: HB 4046	Title: Housing RC	Subject: General Government	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: This Act allows rural residents to build an extra house for their families. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).
 Allows an occupying homeowner outside of an urban growth boundary to site one additional family dwelling unit on the tract of the home.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4048	Title: Rs Housing Proposal	Subject: Housing	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act relaxes housing standards, establishes a housing office to enforce housing laws, allows a new UGB amendment and limits counties' role in UGB amendments. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.9).
 Requires local governments to approve certain adjustments to land use regulations for housing development within urban growth boundaries. Establishes alternate appellate procedures for adjustments. Requires certain cities to report to the Department of Land Conservation and Development on the use of adjustments. Requires the department to report biennially to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly. Sunsets January 2, 2032.
 Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development and the Department of Consumer and Business Services to jointly establish and administer the Housing Accountability and Production Office. Requires the office to assist local governments and housing developers with housing laws relating to land use and land divisions.
 Authorizes the office to take certain actions to enforce housing laws. Establishes new process through which the office may request enforcement orders relating to land use housing laws. Becomes operative April 1, 2025.
 Requires the office to commission a report on developing efficiencies in housing production and to deliver the report to an interim committee of Legislative Assembly on or before September 15, 2025.
 Develops an alternative process to amend urban growth boundaries to include up to 150 net residential acres per city. Provides for limitations and review by Metro, where applicable, and for review by the Department of Land Conservation and Development and courts. Sunsets January 2, 2033.
 Expands eligibility for attorney fees for appeals of residential development proposals to include local governments and all needed housing.
 Limits counties' role in reviewing cities' amendments to urban growth boundaries.
 Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department to establish and operate the office and to provide grants to local governments for housing law compliance.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4049	Title: PFAS	Subject: Wastewater	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: This Act directs OSU to study PFAS in biosolids that are spread on farm fields that do not produce crops for human food. The Act directs OSU to submit a final report by Sept. 1, 2027. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.0).
Digest: This Act directs OSU to study the fate of PFAS in biosolids that are spread on farm fields. The Act directs OSU to submit a report by Dec. 15, 2025. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.7).
 Directs the Oregon State University Extension Service and the College of Agricultural Sciences of Oregon State University to study the fate and transport^{ATM} distribution and occurrence of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) found in biosolids applied to agricultural fields that do not produce crops intended for human consumption. Directs the extension service and college to submit findings^{ATM} a final report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to agriculture not later than December 15, 2025^{ATM} September 1, 2027.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4050	Title: Pay Equity Exemption	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act removes an exception to the state law concerning pay equity requirements. The Act changes the law to add to the list of factors that an employer can use as a reason for a pay differential. The Act becomes effective when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.3).
 Provides factors upon which compensation differentials may be based for an employer to lawfully pay employees who perform work of comparable character at different compensation levels.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4056	Title: Foreclosures	Subject: Finance & Tax	Position:	Staff:
Status: Speaker signed.				
<p>Digest: The Act would require counties to set up a way to handle surplus proceeds from tax lien foreclosure sales. The Act would pause the transfer to counties of deeds to foreclosed property. The Act would make the Department of Revenue work with county tax officers to set up a uniform way to handle the surpluses. The Act would require a report from the department with suggestions for bills for the 2025 session. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).</p> <p>Digest: The Act lets people claim a tax foreclosure surplus. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).^{Å™}</p> <p>Allows former owner, or their heirs or successors, to claim from the county any surplus from a property tax foreclosure.</p> <p>Establishes conditions and time limitations for making a claim. Requires county tax foreclosure notices to include information about claims.^{Å™}</p> <p>Requires counties to establish a process for handling the surplus proceeds from property tax lien foreclosure sales. Suspends the operation of the statute under which deeds to such properties are conveyed to the counties through December 31, 2025. Directs the Department of Revenue to coordinate with county tax officers to determine a detailed uniform process for handling surplus proceeds that complies with the United States Supreme Court in Tyler v. Hennepin County, Minnesota, 598 U.S. 631 (2023). Requires the department to submit a report containing the determinations and recommendations for legislation to the Legislative Assembly not later than September 15, 2024.</p> <p>Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.</p>				

Bill #: HB 4063	Title: Dexter Housing Reform	Subject: Housing	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: Speaker signed.				
<p>Digest: The Act makes counties plan for areas of Metro that are not in a city. The Act lets home builders use updated local rules. The Act lets real estate agents accept love letters. The Act amends middle housing land divisions. The Act lets city staff grant or end tax exemption for single-unit housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.1).</p> <p>Digest: The Act makes counties plan for areas of Metro that are not in a city. The Act lets home builders use updated local rules. The Act lets real estate agents accept love letters. The Act amends middle housing land divisions and mobile home registrations. The Act lets city staff grant or end tax exemption for single-unit housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.8).^{Å™}</p> <p>Requires Metro counties to plan for the housing needs of Metro urban unincorporated lands.</p> <p>Allows a housing developer with a pending application to opt in to amended local land use regulations.</p> <p>Allows sellers' real estate agents to accept irregular documents from buyers.</p> <p>Allows middle housing land partitions of certain parcels in the year that the parcel was created.</p> <p>Removes requirements that a manufactured dwelling owner register the dwelling with the Department of Consumer and Business Services or cancel the registration before obtaining a mortgage recorded in the county real property records. Allows owner to record an affidavit to affix the dwelling to real property.^{Å™}</p> <p>Allows a city to administratively approve or terminate the property tax exemption for single-unit housing.</p> <p>Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.</p>				

Bill #: HB 4064	Title: Housing Study	Subject: Housing	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.				
<p>Digest: Makes OHCS study and report on housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.8).</p> <p>Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to submit a report to the relevant interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2025.</p>				

Bill #: HB 4065	Title: Affordable Housing Grants	Subject: Housing	Position:	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.				
<p>Digest: The Act would create a fund for grants to developers of affordable housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).</p> <p>Authorizes cities and counties to adopt a program for awarding grants to developers of affordable housing and moderate income housing projects to finance certain costs associated with such housing projects. Directs the Housing and Community Services Department to develop a revolving loan program to make interest-free loans to participating cities and counties to fund the grants. Imposes an annual fee on each grantee developer in repayment of the loans. Provides for the distribution of the fee moneys first to fire districts for ad valorem property taxes and then to the department in repayment of the loan that funded the grant awarded to the developer.</p> <p>Appropriates moneys to the Housing and Community Services Department to provide grants to nonprofits to engage with tenants whose housing is being withdrawn from publicly supported housing.</p> <p>Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.</p>				

Bill #: HB 4072	Title: Salem PILT	Subject: Finance & Tax
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would make state agencies pay a fee to Salem for the fire, police and emergency medical services that the city provides based on the agencies' use of state-owned land in the city. The Act would let other cities opt in to the fee program. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).
 Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to pay a fee to the City of Salem for the share of the city's budget for fire, police and emergency medical services provided to state agencies. Authorizes the department to recoup the payment from state agencies according to their use of state-owned land in the city. Authorizes other cities to opt in to the fee program.

Bill #: HB 4075	Title: Public Safety Funding HJR 201	Subject: Public Safety
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would set up a task force to plan for a state body to fund public safety. The Act will take effect only if the Oregon Constitution is amended to create the state body. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.6).
 Establishes a task force to develop a plan for the Legislative Assembly to establish a statewide public safety funding authority in Oregon in accordance with House Joint Resolution 201 (2024).
 Takes effect only if House Joint Resolution 201 (2024) is approved by the people at the next regular general election. Takes effect on the effective date of the constitutional amendment proposed by House Joint Resolution 201 (2024).

Bill #: HB 4080	Title: Offshore Wind	Subject: Ports
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: States a state policy on offshore wind energy. Tells the state agency on energy to make a road map on standards for offshore wind energy. Makes a person involved in an offshore wind energy or port project meet certain labor and supply chain standards. Tells the state agency on land use to assess state policies that may be used in federal reviews of offshore wind leasing decisions. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.0).
 Declares a state policy to support engagement between offshore wind developers and impacted organizations, communities and tribes. Declares a state policy regarding offshore wind energy development and labor and supply chain standards. Declares a state policy that the interconnection of offshore energy projects be carried out in a manner that promotes electric grid reliability and resilience. Directs the Land Conservation and Development Commission to exercise its rulemaking authority to support these state policies.
 Directs the State Department of Energy to develop an Offshore Wind Roadmap that defines standards to be considered in the processes related to offshore wind energy development and approval.
 Requires a developer or contractor involved in an offshore wind energy project, port development project that is necessary for the development of an offshore wind energy project or project related to manufacturing or supply chain that is located on port property and that facilitates the construction, operation or maintenance of an offshore wind energy project to meet certain labor and supply chain standards. Allows a developer or contractor to use a workforce development agreement to comply with the requirements.
 Directs the Department of Land Conservation and Development to conduct an assessment of the state enforceable policies that may be used in the federal consistency review of offshore wind leasing decisions and related actions. Directs the department to submit a report on the department's activities to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to marine renewable energy and coastal resources not later than September 1, 2025.
 Modifies certain biennial appropriation made from the General Fund to the Department of Land Conservation and Development.
 Modifies limitation on expenditures for certain biennial expenses for the Bureau of Labor and Industries.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4081	Title: EMS Reform	Subject: Public Safety
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act makes a program and an advisory board in the Oregon Health Authority to make it easier to get fast health care. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).
 Establishes the Emergency Medical Services Program and Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board within the Oregon Health Authority. Directs the authority to designate emergency medical services regions within the state. Directs the authority to designate emergency medical services centers for the provision of specific types of emergency care. Requires the program to establish and maintain an emergency medical services data system.
 Becomes operative on January 1, 2025.
 Repeals existing State Trauma Advisory Board and related boards.
 Becomes operative on January 1, 2027.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4099	Title: Housing SDCs	Subject: Housing	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.		Position:	

Digest: The Act makes OHCS guarantee a local government's collection of a fee to be paid by a home builder on a delayed schedule. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.5).
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to guarantee local governments' deferral of system development charges for housing developments. Becomes operative on January 1, 2025.
 Establishes the Municipal Development Protection Fund for such purposes. Appropriates moneys to the fund.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4100	Title: Liability RC	Subject: General Gov	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.		Position:	

Digest: Bans the recoupment of certain costs if the costs are from the fault of a utility. Makes an electric company make a report on any fire event that is caused by a power line. Allows the report to be used as evidence. Specifies the economic damages allowed for property damage caused by a wildfire. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.5).
 Prohibits the recovery from customers of certain costs and expenses that a public utility incurs as a result of negligence or a higher degree of fault on the part of the public utility.
 Requires an investor-owned electric utility to provide an incident report to the Department of the State Fire Marshal and the State Forestry Department whenever a fire-related incident occurs that is caused by the utility's electric power line and to provide a copy of the incident report to the Public Utility Commission. Provides that the incident report may be used as evidence.
 Specifies the recoverable economic damages allowed for damage or injury to property caused by a wildfire. Allows the use of other objectively verifiable information to determine fair market value.

Bill #: HB 4102	Title: Natural Working Lands	Subject: Environment	Staff: ML
Status: President signed.		Position:	

Digest: This Act specifies the sources of moneys in the Natural and Working Lands Fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.7).
 Specifies the sources of moneys in the Natural and Working Lands Fund.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4106	Title: Forrest Harvests	Subject: Finance and Taxation	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.		Position:	

Digest: The Act directs the State Forester to create harvest levels for cutting timber on state forestland. The Act directs the State Forester to develop a timber inventory model. The Act directs the State Forester to sell timber at the harvest level. The Act gives moneys to the State Forester. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.4).
 Directs the State Forester to establish sustainable harvest levels for harvesting timber on state forestland and develop a timber inventory model to inform sustainable harvest levels.
 Directs the State Forester to offer timber for sale at the sustainable harvest level, annually report on sales of timber relative to the sustainable harvest level and address any shortfall in timber sales. Confers standing on certain persons to challenge a failure to address a shortfall.
 Directs the State Forester to adopt sustainable harvest levels, forest management plans and related significant policy documents by rule. Establishes certain requirements for judicial review of the rules.
 Makes certain changes concerning forest management reports by the State Forester.
 Appropriates moneys to the State Forester out of the General Fund for developing a timber inventory model and a sustainable harvest level.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4109	Title: Transportation Omnibus	Subject: Transpo	Staff: ML
Status: Speaker signed.		Position:	

Digest: The Act states that some aviation grant funds may be used for matching shares of any FAA grant and the funds are not limited to federal Airport Improvement Program grants. The Act changes photo radar laws. The Act makes more folks able to get family placards for their cars. The Act modifies the Charge Ahead Oregon Program. The Act tells ODOT to seek to work with the State of Idaho to get help from the FRA to study the chance of starting rail service again on the Pioneer Line. The Act tells ODOT to give the JCT a progress report before the end of the year. The Act becomes law 91 days from the last day of session. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.9).

Digest: The Act states that certain aviation grant funds may be used for matching shares of any FAA grant and the funds are not limited to federal Airport Improvement Program grants. The Act changes photo radar laws. Becomes law 91 days from sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.3).^{Å™}

Provides that certain aviation grant funds may be used for matching shares of any Federal Aviation Administration grant available and the funds are not limited to federal Airport Improvement Program grants.

Modifies photo radar laws.

Expands eligibility for family placards.

Modifies the Charge Ahead Oregon Program.

Establishes the Charge Ahead Zero-Emission Incentive Fund.

Directs the Department of Transportation to pursue cooperative efforts with the State of Idaho to apply for assistance from the Federal Railroad Administration to study potential for reestablishing service on the Amtrak Pioneer Line and submit a progress report to the Joint Committee on Transportation no later than December 31, 2024.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4111	Title: Farm Equipment Exemption	Subject: Finance & Tax	Staff: HW
Status: Speaker signed.		Position:	

Digest: The Act makes all farm machinery tax exempt. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).

Removes the requirement that farm machinery and equipment be tangible personal property for the purposes of exemption from ad valorem property taxation.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4112	Title: Clean Energy Technology	Subject: Eco Devo	Staff: ML
Status: In committee upon adjournment.		Position:	

Digest: Tells one of the state's agencies to make rules that say how the agency will buy products and services from companies that make clean energy technology. Lets the agency work with other government bodies to help create and keep jobs in this state. Creates a fund for another state agency to make loans and grants to companies that make clean energy technology and projects that give certain benefits to people in this state. Sets up a group to give advice to the second agency. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3).

Digest: Tells one of the state's agencies to make rules that say how the agency will buy products and services from clean energy companies. Lets the agency work with other government bodies to help create and keep jobs in this state. Creates a fund for another state agency to make loans and grants to clean energy companies and projects that give certain benefits to people in this state. Sets up a group to give advice to the second agency. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.5).^{Å™}

Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to adopt rules to govern procurements from clean energy technology manufacturing companies. Directs the department to cooperate with state agencies that have expertise in energy production and conservation and in reducing or mitigating environmental impacts. Specifies the required contents of the department's rules. Directs other state agencies to cooperate with the department in adopting and implementing rules.

Permits the department to enter into cooperative procurements and intergovernmental agreements in combination with other governmental bodies in this or other states to provide incentives for clean energy technology manufacturing companies to create and retain high-skilled manufacturing jobs.

Establishes the Oregon Clean Energy Technology Manufacturing Opportunity Fund and appropriates moneys in the fund to the Oregon Business Development Department. Requires the department to establish a program to make loans, grants and other expenditures from the fund to foster, attract and sustain clean energy technology manufacturing companies, and for other purposes. Requires the department to give priority in loans and grants to clean energy technology manufacturing companies that include an employment plan with an application for the loan or grant.

Establishes the Clean Energy Technology Leadership Advisory Council. Specifies the council's membership and requires the council to advise the Oregon Business Development Department on decisions with respect to awarding loans and grants and to study and recommend methods of attracting, fostering and sustaining manufacturing firms and operations in this state, while maximizing additional benefits, including creating and sustaining living wage or union jobs, alleviating supply chain constraints and improving access to clean energy technologies, supporting technological innovation and diversifying the economy of this state.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: [HB 4115](#) Title: Supervisory Employees in PECBA

Subject: Labor

Position:

Staff: HW

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act modifies a defined term under PECBA. The Act restricts the makeup of certain collective bargaining units. The Act takes effect as soon as it is passed. (Flesch Readability Score: 70.4).

Digest: The Act modifies a defined term under PECBA. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).^{Å™}

Modifies the definition of "supervisory employee" to include certain employees and exclude certain strike-prohibited public employees. Limits the permissible composition of bargaining units regarding the inclusion of certain guards and police officers who serve in a rank that is equivalent to the rank of sergeant and subordinate employees.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 4117](#) Title: OGEC PM Advice

Subject: Public Meetings

Position:

Staff: ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: Allows OGEC and OGEC staff to give advice on the public meetings law. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

Authorizes the Oregon Government Ethics Commission to issue advisory opinions on the application of the public meetings law to actual or hypothetical circumstances. Authorizes the executive director of the commission to issue staff advisory opinions or written or oral staff advice on the application of the public meetings law to actual or hypothetical circumstances. Permits other commission staff to issue written or oral staff advice on the public meetings law.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 4128](#) Title: Water Infrastructure RC

Subject: Water

Position:

Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would give money to cities to produce water infrastructure for new houses in this state. The Act would give money to a state agency to carry out a law related to water wells. The Act would tell a state agency to create updated information about infrastructure in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).

Digest: Tells a state agency to conduct a study of water equipment in this state. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).^{Å™}

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Business Development Department for deposit in the Special Public Works Fund. The department must distribute specific amounts of moneys in the fund to listed cities for the purpose of producing water and wastewater infrastructure to support new residential housing in this state.

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Water Resources Department for deposit in the Water Well Abandonment, Repair and Replacement Fund to carry out purposes authorized by the fund.

Requires the Oregon Business Development Department to update the Oregon Infrastructure and Community Facilities Inventory. Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Oregon Business Development Department to carry out the update.

Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to study water infrastructure needs in this state and submit a report to the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2025.^{Å™}

Sunsets January 2, 2026.^{Å™}

Bill #: [HB 4133](#) Title: Wildfire

Subject: Public Safety

Position:

Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act makes changes related to a forest products tax. The Act creates a new fund related to wildfire costs. The Act makes changes related to forest protection districts. The Act makes changes related to fees for fire protection. The Act makes changes related to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee. The Act makes changes related to a fund for protecting forest land. The Act makes changes related to a fee on acreage. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.1).

Digest: The Act makes changes related to a forest products tax. The Act creates a new fund related to wildfire costs. The Act makes changes related to forest protection districts. The Act makes changes related to fees for fire protection. The Act makes changes related to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee. The Act makes changes related to a fund for protecting forest land. The Act repeals a fee on acreage. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.0).^{Å™}

Makes certain changes related to the forest products harvest tax.

Establishes a State Forestry Department Large Wildfire Fund. Continuously appropriates moneys in the fund to^{Å™} for use by the State Forestry Department for wildfire mitigation and suppression.

Makes certain changes related to forest protection districts.

Makes certain changes related to a minimum assessment and surcharge.

Makes certain changes related to the Emergency Fire Cost Committee.

Makes certain changes related to the Oregon Forest Land Protection Fund.

Repeals^{Å™} Makes certain changes related to an acreage assessment.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die..

Bill #: HB 4134 Title: Infrastructure Funding for Housing

Subject: Housing
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: This Act makes OBDD give money to cities for infrastructure to support housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).
Digest: This Act makes DAS give money to cities for infrastructure to support housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).^{Å™}
Requires the Oregon Department of Administrative Services^{Å™} Oregon Business Development Department to provide grants to cities for specified infrastructure projects that will benefit housing developments that will make at least 30 percent of the dwelling units affordable to workforce income households.
Requires cities receiving grants to provide reports to the Oregon Business Development Department.
Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Business Development Department.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4141 Title: Delinquent P Tax Rate

Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act decreases the rate of interest charged on delinquent property taxes. It takes effect on the 91st day after the end of session. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.2).
Decreases the rate of interest charged on delinquent property taxes from 1.33 percent per month to 1.33 percent per year.
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: HB 4144 Title: Public Safety RC

Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act increases the sentence for making or having an object that makes counterfeit drugs. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.9).
Increases the penalties for making, delivering or possessing an object that is used to render a drug into a counterfeit substance.
Punishes by a maximum of five years' imprisonment, \$125,000 fine, or both.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4148 Title: Invasive Species Council

Subject: Environment
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act directs an agency to expand programs related to wildlife illness. The Act directs an agency to perform a review. The Act directs an agency to establish a program for living with wildlife. The Act makes changes related to wildlife paths and roads. The Act gives moneys for related purposes. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).
Directs the State Department of Fish and Wildlife to expand programs related to wildlife disease.
Directs the Invasive Species Council to undertake a review of council programs and activities.
Directs the department to establish a wildlife coexistence program.
Makes certain changes concerning a program to reduce wildlife-vehicle collisions.
Appropriates moneys out of the General Fund for implementing the expansion, review, new program and changes to wildlife programs.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: HB 4152 Title: Cybersecurity Study

Subject: Technology
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Makes EIS study how secure cyber assets are. Tells EIS to submit a report by a certain date. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.2).
Requires the office of Enterprise Information Services to study cybersecurity. Directs the office to submit its findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to information management and technology not later than September 15, 2025.

Bill #: HB 4155 Title: Infrastructure Housing Study

Subject: Housing
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would require a study of how the state can help lower infrastructure and housing costs. The Act would require the agency doing the study to submit a report to the legislature by mid-September. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).
Directs the Oregon Business Development Department to study infrastructure financing in Oregon by considering and evaluating tools the state may use to have a positive effect on infrastructure and housing costs in Oregon. Requires the department to submit a report of the findings of the study to the Legislative Assembly.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 4157](#) **Title:** PERS P&F Retirement Ages

Subject: PERS
Position: Oppose **Staff:** HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act makes district attorneys police officers under PERS. The Act lowers the age at which some police and firefighters can retire. The Act makes a new class of employees in PERS for people who work in hazardous positions. The Act allows those people to retire earlier with higher pensions. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.8).
Provides that district attorneys qualify as police officers under the Public Employees Retirement System.
Lowers the normal retirement age for police officers and firefighters under the Oregon Public Service Retirement Plan.
Establishes a new class of hazardous positions under the Public Employees Retirement System and provides increased retirement benefits to members employed in hazardous positions.

Bill #: [HB 5201](#) **Title:** Bond Authorization

Subject: Budget
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act changes the recipient of a lottery bond. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).
Modifies the recipient of revenues from a previously approved lottery bond.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 5202](#) **Title:** Capitol Construction

Subject: Budget
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act changes limits on the amounts that agencies may spend for building projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).
Modifies limits on payment of expenses from specified funds by certain state agencies for capital construction.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 5203](#) **Title:** Allocations

Subject: Budget
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act is a budget bill for an unspecified state agency. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).
Establishes biennial appropriations and expenditure limitations for _____ for biennium ending June 30, 2025.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HB 5204](#) **Title:** SFA

Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: President signed.

Digest: The Act is a budget bill for an unspecified state agency. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.9).
Establishes biennial appropriations and expenditure limitations for _____ for the biennium ending June 30, 2025.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: [HJR 201](#) **Title:** Public Safety Const Amend

Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would put in the constitution a state tax on property to fund public safety. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution requiring the Legislative Assembly to create an administrative authority for funding public safety in this state. Directs the Legislative Assembly to impose a state property tax to fund public safety in this state. Allows the Legislative Assembly to delegate to the administrative authority the authority to implement the tax. Provides that the tax would not be subject to Article XI, section 11, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 50) (1997), or Article XI, section 11b, of the Oregon Constitution (Ballot Measure 5) (1990).
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

Bill #: [SB 1510](#) **Title:** Fire Marshal Fingerprints

Subject: Public Safety
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Governor signed.

Digest: The Act allows the agency of the State Fire Marshal to require fingerprints for criminal background checks on certain persons. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).
Authorizes the Department of the State Fire Marshal to require, for purposes of a criminal records check, fingerprints from an employee, a prospective employee or a person who provides or seeks to provide certain services.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1511	Title: Wildfire Risk Reduction	Subject: Public Safety	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act directs the State Fire Marshal to create a grant program to help property owners with wildfire resilience. The Act creates a fund related to the grant program. The Act directs the State Fire Marshal to report on the grant program. The Act directs agencies to plan for a program for certifying reduced wildfire risk for insurance purposes. The Act gives moneys to the State Fire Marshal for the grant program. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.9). Directs the State Fire Marshal to establish a neighborhood protection cooperative grant program. Establishes the Neighborhood Protection Cooperative Grant Program Fund. Directs the Department of the State Fire Marshal to include status reports on the program in certain biannual reports. Directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Department of the State Fire Marshal and the State Forestry Department to develop a plan and implementation timeline for establishing an insurance-related risk reduction certification program and report on the program on or before December 1, 2024. Appropriates moneys to the State Fire Marshal, out of the General Fund, for implementing the neighborhood protection cooperative grant program. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1513	Title: Leave Study	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Makes BOLI study and report on laws that allow workers to take job-protected time off from work. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.1). Requires the Bureau of Labor and Industries to study issues related to the different federal and state laws under which a worker may take job-protected leave from work for qualifying reasons. Requires the bureau to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to labor and business not later than September 15, 2025.

Bill #: SB 1514	Title: FMLA	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act would require the Director of OED to conduct periodic assessments of the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund. The Act would allow the director to take actions if the director found the fund to be insolvent. The Act would take effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7). Requires the Director of the Employment Department to conduct periodic assessments to determine the solvency of the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Fund. Specifies the actions that the director may take to restore solvency if the director determines that the fund is, or may be, insolvent. Requires the Director of the Employment Department to include in the department's biennial reports to the Legislative Assembly a summary of the periodic assessments conducted by the director and a summary of any actions taken by the director to restore solvency. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1515	Title: Paid Family Leave	Subject: Labor	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: Makes changes to laws related to paid and unpaid family and medical leave. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.7). Directs the Employment Department to collaborate with the Bureau of Labor and Industries to identify statutory changes that are needed to require the department and the bureau to perform certain duties. Requires the Employment Department to make certain findings regarding the consideration of implementing programmatic changes and benefits that are paid to certain employees under the paid family and medical leave insurance program and report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2024. Makes changes to the statutory provisions governing paid and unpaid job-protected leave entitlements. Makes technical changes and conforming amendments. Creates an exception from predictive scheduling penalty compensation requirements for employers that are unable to provide an employee with advance notice of scheduling changes that are necessitated by another employee's use of paid or unpaid leave. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1525	Title: ODOE Carbon Sequestration Study Extension	Subject: Environment
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: This Act amends and creates laws related to the State Department of Energy. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).
Digest: This Act extends dates for a state agency to submit certain reports. The Act extends dates for the agency and others to develop goals for carbon storage. The Act changes parts of a grant program to support renewable energy projects. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.0).^{Å™}
 Extends the deadlines for certain reports by the State Department of Energy. Extends by one year the deadline for the establishment of nonbinding biological carbon sequestration and storage goals for natural and working lands. Modifies provisions of the Community Renewable Investment Program. Modifies provisions related to standby generation facilities and requires public utilities to report to the Director of the State Department of Energy about certain standby generators. Transfers moneys from the Heat Pump Deployment Fund to the Residential Heat Pump Fund.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1526	Title: Omnibus Tax Changes	Subject: Finance & Tax
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act makes changes to certain Oregon tax laws. It takes effect on the 91st day after session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 76.9).
 Makes technical, policy and administrative changes to certain Oregon tax laws.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1528	Title: Housing Developer Grants	Subject: Housing
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would create a fund for grants to developers of affordable housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.4).
 Authorizes cities and counties to adopt a program for awarding grants to developers of affordable housing and moderate income housing projects to finance certain costs associated with such housing projects. Directs the Housing and Community Services Department to develop a revolving loan program to make interest-free loans to participating cities and counties to fund the grants. Imposes an annual fee on each grantee developer in repayment of the loans. Provides for the distribution of the fee moneys first to fire districts for ad valorem property taxes and then to the department in repayment of the loan that funded the grant awarded to the developer.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1529	Title: Housing Study	Subject: Housing
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act makes changes to the OHA air conditioner and filter program and to the OHCS landlord guarantee program. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.7).
Digest: Makes OHCS study and report on housing. (Flesch Readability Score: 78.8).^{Å™}
 Requires the Housing and Community Services Department to study housing and to submit a report to the relevant interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2025.^{Å™}
 Amends the Oregon Health Authority residential air conditioner and air filter delivery program. Allows the Housing and Community Services Department to establish a maximum reimbursement to landlords under the Housing Choice Landlord Guarantee Program.
 Declares an emergency; effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1530	Title: State Finance Admin RC (Housing)	Subject: Finance & Tax
		Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: Gives money to OHCS, OHA, DHS, DOE, OBDD, ODOT, WRD and DAS for programs. Goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.3).
Digest: Gives money to OHCS, OHA, DHS, DOE and DAS for programs. Goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 81.4).^{Å™}
 Appropriates moneys to and modifies expenditure limitations for the Housing and Community Services Department, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Human Services, State Department of Energy, Oregon Business Development Department, Department of Transportation, Water Resources Department and Oregon Department of Administrative Services for various programs.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: **SB 1533** Title: Elections RC (VP Translation)

Subject: Elections

Position:

Staff: HW

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: Tells the SOS to translate the voters' pamphlet into the 10 most common languages used in each county. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).

Increases, from 5 to 10, the number of the most commonly spoken languages in each county, other than English, that the Secretary of State must include on a publicly available list and into which the secretary must translate voters' pamphlets.

Increases the number of translator members on the Translation Advisory Council.

Increases, from 100 or more individuals to 300 or more individuals, the number of people in a county who must speak one of 10 listed languages in order to require a county voters' pamphlet to be translated into that language.

Bill #: **SB 1537** Title: Governor Housing

Subject: Housing

Position:

Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act establishes a housing office to support and enforce housing laws; lets home builders use updated local rules; awards lawyer fees for more housing appeals; assists with infrastructure for housing; creates a fund for grants to developers of affordable housing; makes cities approve changes to housing rules; makes cities expedite applications to build housing; lets cities change their growth boundaries; and gives money to DLCD, BO and OHCS for this Act. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.4).

Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development and the Department of Consumer and Business Services to jointly establish and administer the Housing Accountability and Production Office. Requires the office to assist local governments and housing developers with housing laws. Authorizes the office to take certain actions to enforce housing laws. Becomes operative on July 1, 2025.

Allows a housing developer with a pending application to opt in to amended local land use regulations.

Expands eligibility for attorney fees on appeal of the approval of a residential development proposal to include local governments and all^Å affordable housing or housing within urban growth boundaries.

Creates the Housing Infrastructure Support Fund to allow the Oregon Business Development Department to provide capacity and support to local governments in developing infrastructure to support residential development.

Requires the Department of Land Conservation and Development to biennially^Å report to the Legislative Assembly before 2025 on proposed infrastructure projects that may support residential development.

Authorizes cities and counties to adopt a program for awarding grants to developers of affordable housing and moderate income housing projects to finance certain costs associated with such housing projects. Directs the Housing and Community Services Department to develop a revolving loan program to make interest-free loans to participating cities and counties to fund the grants. Imposes an annual fee on each grantee developer in repayment of the loans. Provides for the distribution of the fee moneys first to fire districts for ad valorem property taxes and then to the department in repayment of the loan that funded the grant awarded to the developer.

Requires local governments to approve certain adjustments to land use regulations for housing development within an urban growth boundary as a limited land use decision. Establishes an exemption process. Requires reporting to the Department of Land Conservation and Development on the use of adjustments. Requires the department to report biennially to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly. Sunsets on January 2, 2032.

Requires local governments to process certain applications relating to housing development as limited land use decisions. Develops alternative processes to amend urban growth boundaries to include up to 100 net residential acres per city. Provides for limitations and review by counties, Metro and the Department of Land Conservation and Development and the courts. Sunsets on January 2, 2033.

Appropriates moneys to the Oregon Business Development Department, Housing and Community Services Department and Department of Land Conservation and Development for purposes of the Act.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: **SB 1538** Title: Election Law Cleanup

Subject: Elections

Position:

Staff: HW

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act makes many changes to election laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.8).

Permits an agent of a candidate to file a translation of a candidate statement with the Secretary of State. Permits candidate statements, certain arguments regarding measures and legislative arguments in support of statewide measures to be translated into the most commonly spoken languages of each county in which the statements will appear in a voters' pamphlet. Specifies the information to be included in county voters' pamphlets. Removes the requirement for a repeat public certification test of a vote tally system immediately before ballot scanning begins. Reduces the limitation on the number of voter registration cards that may be requested. Permits the Secretary of State to issue a certificate of ascertainment of presidential electors in accordance with the requirements of federal law.

Increases the limit of aggregate contributions and expenditures before certain requirements apply. Becomes operative on January 1, 2025.

Changes the civil penalties and legal expenses that can be paid with contributions received by certain persons and committees. Prescribes the method for creating ballot titles and explanatory statements for any amendments to the Oregon Constitution or statutory Acts that pass both houses of the Legislative Assembly during the 2024 regular session and that are referred to the people by the Legislative Assembly.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.^Å

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1540	Title: Public Records RC	Subject: Public Records	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Requires PRAC to study public records fees and submit findings. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.3). Requires the Public Records Advisory Council to study fees charged for public records requests. Directs the council to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules not later than September 15, 2026.

Bill #: SB 1543	Title: Weight Mile Tax Reduction	Subject: Transpo	Position:	Staff: ML
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act lowers weight-mile taxes. The Act limits ODOT spending on certain things. Becomes law 91 days from sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 77.3). Decreases weight-mile taxes. Limits certain expenditures by the Department of Transportation. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1544	Title: Senior Special Assessment	Subject: Finance & Tax	Position:	Staff: HW
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would grant a specially assessed property tax value for the homes of people who are at least 65 years old. The Act would sunset after six years, but a home in the program that remained eligible would be able to stay in it past the sunset. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.9). Provides, for purposes of ad valorem property taxation, a specially assessed value for the owner-occupied primary residences of individuals who are at least 65 years of age. Sunsets the program after six years. Maintains the specially assessed value for residences granted the specially assessed value before the sunset date as long as the residences continue to qualify for it. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1545	Title: Wildfire Rebuild P Tax Exemption	Subject: Finance & Tax	Position:	Staff: HW
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Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act would grant a property tax break to destroyed homes that were rebuilt after the 2020 wildfires. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6). Authorizes a county to allow a homestead rebuilt by the same owner on the same lot to replace the homestead destroyed by the September 2020 wildfires to have a specially assessed value equal to the destroyed homestead's real market value for the 2020-2021 property tax year, to the extent of the square footage of the destroyed homestead. Provides that the specially assessed value continues until the earliest of the date on which the rebuilt homestead is no longer the owner's principal dwelling, is rented to another person for any duration or is transferred to new ownership. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1546	Title: CIO Study IT State Agencies	Subject: Technology	Position:	Staff: HW
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Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Makes the State Chief Information Officer contract with a third party for a study of how the state uses information and technology and advise on how to improve. Tells the officer to submit a report by a certain date. The Act takes effect on its passage. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.5). Requires the State Chief Information Officer to contract for an independent assessment of the information technology environment within the executive department, to include recommendations for improving performance, operations and resources. Directs the officer to submit a report on the results of the assessment and recommendations to the Governor and the Joint Legislative Committee on Information Management and Technology and any other appropriate legislative committee no later than February 1, 2025. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: **SB 1547** Title: Opioid Pilot Program 9-8-8

Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act requires health benefit plans to cover treatment for a minor's cannabis use under certain conditions. The Act requires OHA to set up a short-term program to test a way to help people with drug addiction. The Act requires the program to allow people to call the mental health hotline and get treatment right away for drug addiction. The Act directs the OHA to convene a group to give advice to the OHA. The Act requires the group to suggest to OHA how to set up a program to allow EMTs who are licensed in another state to get a license in this state. The Act requires the OHA to set up the program and begin issuing licenses by a certain date. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.4).

Digest: The Act permits a treatment facility to admit a minor for inpatient substance use disorder treatment for up to 14 days when the parent consents to treatment but the minor does not. The Act directs the OHA to adopt rules setting out the criteria and procedure for admission when the minor objects or the length of proposed treatment is more than 14 days. The Act requires health benefit plans to cover inpatient treatment for a minor's cannabis use under certain conditions. The Act requires OHA to set up a short-term program to test a way to help people with drug addiction. The Act requires the program to allow people to call the mental health hotline and get treatment right away for drug addiction. The Act directs the OHA to convene a group to give advice to the OHA. The Act requires the group to suggest to OHA how to set up a program to allow EMTs who are licensed in another state to get a license in this state. The Act requires the OHA to set up the program and begin issuing licenses by a certain date. The Act takes effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).^{Å™}

Permits the director of a treatment facility to admit a minor for inpatient substance use disorder diagnosis, evaluation and treatment for up to 14 days with parental consent when the minor objects to the admission. Directs the Oregon Health Authority to adopt rules setting forth criteria and procedure for admission when the minor objects to the admission or the director of the treatment facility recommends a longer period of treatment. Permits the treatment facility to disclose information regarding the minor's treatment to the minor's parent or guardian.^{Å™}

Requires the Oregon Health Authority to establish a virtual opioid dependency pilot program to provide immediate intervention and a referral to treatment to callers to the 9-8-8 hotline by a qualified health care provider. Gives health care providers civil immunity for actions taken in good faith. Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Requires health benefit plans to cover inpatient^{Å™} medically necessary treatment for cannabis use by a minor under certain conditions.

Directs the Oregon Health Authority to convene an advisory committee to provide recommendations on the establishment of an emergency medical services reciprocal licensing program. Requires the advisory committee to submit a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to health care not later than September 15, 2024. Requires the authority to establish and begin issuing licenses under the reciprocal license program not later than January 1, 2025. Sunsets January 2, 2026.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: **SB 1556** Title: Study Hwy 30

Subject: Transportation
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act requires ODOT to study a section of U.S. Highway 30. ODOT must make a report of the study and share its findings with the JCT. ODOT may start work on the study 91 days after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.9).

Requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a review of a specific portion of U.S. Highway 30 and present a report to the Joint Committee on Transportation no later than September 15, 2025.

Sunsets on January 2, 2026.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: **SB 1559** Title: Dembrow GHG Goals

Subject: Environment
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: This Act changes the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals. The Act changes the term "global warming" to "climate change" in some laws. The Act declares an emergency and takes effect when it passes. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.4).

Modifies state greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals. Replaces the term "global warming" with "climate change" in provisions related to the Oregon Climate Action Commission.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: **SB 1561** Title: Monsanto Settlement

Subject: Environment
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: This Act creates a council and funds to distribute and invest money from a legal settlement. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Establishes the Environmental Restoration Council. Directs the council to establish programs to distribute moneys from the Monsanto settlement.

Establishes the Oregon Environmental Restoration Fund.

Establishes the State Agency Program Fund.

Establishes the Disproportionately Impacted Community Fund.

Establishes the Tribal Nation Natural Resource Program Fund.

Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1562 **Title:** State Finance Admin RC (Rainy Day)

Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: **Staff:** HW

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act raises the maximum amount of money that can be held in a reserve fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.2).
Digest: The Act raises the amount of money that is put in a reserve fund every two years. It raises the maximum amount of money that can be held in the reserve fund. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.2).^{Å™}
 Increases the maximum amount of the biennial transfer to the Oregon Rainy Day Fund.^{Å™}
 Increases the cap on amounts held in the Oregon Rainy Day Fund.

Bill #: SB 1563 **Title:** Hwy 101

Subject: Transportation
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act requires ODOT to study a section of U.S. Highway 101. ODOT must make a report of the study and share its findings with the JCT. ODOT may start work on the study as soon as the Act is passed. (Flesch Readability Score: 74.5).
 Requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a review of a specific portion of U.S. Highway 101 and present a report to the Joint Committee on Transportation no later than September 15, 2024.
 Sunsets January 2, 2025.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1564 **Title:** DLCD Housing Rules

Subject: Housing
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act makes LCDC adopt model rules for housing for cities of different sizes. The Act goes into effect when the Governor signs it. (Flesch Readability Score: 67.2).
 Requires the Land Conservation and Development Commission to adopt model ordinances for cities of different sizes to implement housing and urbanization requirements. Appropriates moneys to the commission for purposes of the Act.^{Å™}
 Department of Land Conservation and Development for the purpose of adopting model ordinances.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1566 **Title:** County Right of Way Fee

Subject: General Government
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: Allows a county to charge a permit fee to build, move or change a line, fixture or facility that is in the right of way of a county public road. There are exceptions. Sunsets on January 2, 2031. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.5).
Digest: Allows a county to charge a permit fee to build, move or change a line, fixture or facility that is in the right of way of a county public road. There are exceptions. Sunsets on January 1, 2031. (Flesch Readability Score: 68.5).^{Å™}
 Authorizes a county governing body to charge a fee for the administration and issuance of a permit to construct, alter, relocate, maintain or repair a water, gas, electric or communication service line, fixture or facility within the right of way of a public road under the jurisdiction of the county, subject to specified exceptions.
 Sunsets January 1,^{Å™} 2, 2031.
 Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1567 **Title:** Walla Walla River

Subject: Water
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act tells an agency to take actions on water in the Walla Walla River Basin. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).
 Directs the Water Resources Department to take certain actions related to the Walla Walla Water 2050 Strategic Plan.

Bill #: SB 1568 **Title:** Prevailing Wages

Subject: Public Contracting
Position: **Staff:** ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: Makes pay for electricians equal to the pay in a union contract in parts of the state where there is a union contract and the union is the only one that speaks for electricians. Takes effect 91 days after session ends (Flesch Readability Score: 60.6).
 Provides that, for the purpose of specifying the prevailing rate of wage for electrical workers, a locality is the geographical area within which each local union is the exclusive representative for the local union's membership, and the collective bargaining agreement is the collective bargaining agreement to which the local union is a party.
 Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1570 Title: State Finance Admin RC (YMCA)

Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act gives money to the YMCA to be used for a social services resource center. The Act takes effect as soon as it is passed. (Flesch Readability Score: 86.2).
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund for distribution to the Family YMCA of Marion and Polk Counties for a social services resource center.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1573 Title: Unpaid Wages

Subject: Labor
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act affects the duty of some contractors with respect to some workers' unpaid wages. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.8).
Makes contractor jointly and severally liable in civil or administrative action for unpaid wages of unrepresented employee of subcontractor at any tier. Provides statute of limitations for actions regarding recovery for unpaid and overtime wages.
Requires subcontractor to provide certain payroll records and other information to contractor upon request. Permits contractor to withhold payment to subcontractor under certain circumstances.

Bill #: SB 1574 Title: Public Safety RC

Subject: Public Safety
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act defines abuse of a corpse in the first degree in some circumstances as a sex crime. The Act allows DOT to share data with humane special agents. The Act also changes some definitions for police oversight laws and exempts some hearings from the requirement to publish a recording on a website. The Act allows HIAs to ask for background checks using fingerprints. The Act directs courts to admit into evidence driver record created by ODOT when driver is prosecuted for driving while suspended or revoked. The Act establishes a new account for OPDC. The Act changes laws about hit and run. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.4).
Digest: The Act defines abuse of a corpse in the first degree in some circumstances as a sex crime. The Act allows DOT to share data with humane special agents. The Act also changes some definitions for police oversight laws and exempts some hearings from the requirement to publish a recording on a website. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).^{Å™}
Provides that abuse of a corpse in the first degree involving sexual activity is a sex crime for purposes of sex offender reporting. Authorizes the Department of Transportation to share personal information and driver license photos with humane special agents.
Modifies the definition of "law enforcement officer" and "law enforcement agency" for purposes of police oversight provisions. Authorizes a humane investigation agency to request fingerprint-based criminal records check for people who are employed or applying for employment by the agency or who provide services or seek to provide services to the agency.
Provides that hearings of the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision and Psychiatric Security Review Board are not subject to the requirement to publish recordings on a website.
Directs court to admit into evidence data prepared by the Department of Transportation that details driver's record in prosecutions of driving while suspended or revoked.
Establishes the Oregon Public Defense Commission Lawyer Trust Account for the sole purpose of making payments on behalf of clients of the Oregon Public Defense Commission. Provides that commission may establish subaccounts.
Expands the scope of the crime of hit and run of property to any highway or premises open to the public or any premises adjacent to a highway or premises open to the public. Expands crime of hit and run of an injured person to any location.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1575 Title: Duty to Defend

Subject: Public Contracting
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act says that public bodies may not have certain terms in some types of construction contracts. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.1).
Provides that a public body may not include certain provisions relating to payment of defense costs^{Å™}. Limits a public body's ability to require a duty to defend the public body in a contract with a person or entity providing architecture, landscape architecture,^{Å™} architectural, engineering, photogrammetric mapping, transportation planning, land surveying services or related services.
Provides that certain provisions relating to construction agreements do not apply to design-build contracts.
Sunsets provisions on January 1, 2035.

Bill #: SB 1576 Title: Relating Clause

Subject: General Government
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act changes the law about when the AG can share some materials about consumer data. The Act makes some court records of when a minor settles a claim secret. The Act changes the law making some owners immune from liability when they allow recreation on their land. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).
Digest: The Act tells the Judicial Department to do a study. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).^{Å™}
Requires the Judicial Department to study civil law matters. Directs the department to submit findings to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary not later than September 15, 2025.^{Å™}
Modifies provisions regarding disclosure of certain materials relating to consumer data investigations by the Attorney General. Provides for confidentiality of court records relating to certain settlements of minors' claims.
Modifies provisions relating to recreational immunity and makes some of the changes temporary.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1577 Title: Voter Registration College Application

Subject: Elections
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act tells LPRO to study more options for AVR and to tell the Legislature what they found out before the 2027 session. (Flesch Readability Score: 62.1).
Digest: The Act allows people to register to vote when they apply for college. The Act tells the DOR to provide the SOS with records related to voter registration. (Flesch Readability Score: 64.6).^{Å™}
Extends automatic voter registration to applicants for admission to public institutions of higher education. Requires the Department of Revenue to provide the Secretary of State with records containing information related to voter registration.^{Å™}
Directs the Legislative Policy and Research Director to study additional automatic voter registration programs and report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to rules on or before October 1, 2026.
Takes effect on the 91st day following sine die.

Bill #: SB 1580 Title: Work Comp Fraud

Subject: Workers Comp
Position: Staff: HW

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act would make it a crime for an employer to file a false payroll report to lower its workers' comp premium. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.1).
Digest: The Act would make it a crime for an employer to report false data in order to lower its workers' comp premium. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.2).^{Å™}
Creates the crime of fraudulent misrepresentation by an employer to an insurer of certain employee-related data with the intent to decrease the employer's workers' compensation insurance premium. Punishes by a maximum fine of \$125,000 plus specified forms of restitution.^{Å™}
Provides that an employer commits a Class A misdemeanor if the employer knowingly submits a false payroll report with the intent to decrease the employer's premium for workers' compensation insurance. Punishes by a maximum of 364 days' imprisonment, a \$6,250 fine, or both.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 1584 Title: Temporary Total Disability

Subject: Workers Comp
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act removes two bases for a worker to refuse a job without losing workers' comp benefits. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.1).
Deletes two bases for a worker to refuse an offer of modified employment without losing temporary total disability benefits.

Bill #: SB 1589 Title: In Person Voting

Subject: Elections
Position: Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: Makes voting in person the normal method for voting. Requires voters to show picture ID when voting or requesting a ballot. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2).
Makes in-person voting on the date of an election the standard method for conducting an election. Allows an elector to request a ballot that may be voted by mail if the elector is unable to vote in person on the date of the election. Retains vote by mail as the primary method for conducting elections for military and overseas electors and for electors who have a mailing address outside of Oregon.
Requires electors to present valid government-issued identification when appearing in-person to vote or when requesting a ballot be sent by mail. Requires all ballots to be returned by the date of an election.
Removes a requirement that the state pay postage for ballots returned by mail.

Bill #: SB 1590 Title: Meek Boat Bill Subject: General Gov
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act repeals laws related to boats and towed sports. The Act changes laws about boating safety education. The Act goes into effect 91 days after the session ends. (Flesch Readability Score: 65.7).
Repeals provisions related to the towed watersports program.
Provides that the minimum standard for boating safety education must include instruction relating to towed watersports safety education.
Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

Bill #: SB 1593 Title: New Timber Tax Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: Staff: ML

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would impose a new tax on the gross proceeds from the sale of unprocessed timber cut on private land larger than 500 acres held in common ownership. The Act would provide funding to counties and to protect homes, neighborhoods and water supplies from wildfire damage. The Act would repeal the current forest products harvest tax. The Act will be referred to the people at the 2024 general election. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.3).
Imposes a new tax on the gross proceeds from the sale of unprocessed timber harvested on private land in excess of 500 acres held in common ownership in this state. Repeals the current forest products harvest tax regime.
Refers the Act to the people for their approval or rejection at the next general election.

Bill #: SB 5701 Title: Budget Reconciliation Subject: Budget
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act makes budget changes for the current biennium. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.1).
Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to specified state agencies for biennial expenses.
Modifies certain biennial appropriations made from the General Fund to specified state agencies and the Emergency Board.
Establishes and modifies limitations on expenditures for certain biennial expenses for specified state agencies.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SB 5702 Title: Fee Increases Subject: Budget
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Speaker signed.

Digest: The Act approves certain fees charged by state agencies. (Flesch Readability Score: 75.5).
Approves certain new or increased fees adopted by state agencies.
Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

Bill #: SCR 202 Title: Legislative Deadlines Subject: General Government
Position: Staff: ML

Status: Filed With Secretary of State.

Digest: Fixes firm dates for measures during session. (Flesch Readability Score: 66.7).
Establishes deadlines for completion of legislative measures for the 2024 regular session of the Eighty-Second Legislative Assembly.

Bill #: SJR 201 Title: Maximum Assessed Value Redetermination Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: Monitor Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The Act would simplify how exempt property is taxed. It takes effect only if the people vote for it next November. (Flesch Readability Score: 71.2).
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution to exclude partial exemptions of the assessed value of property, and tax credits against property taxes on property, from the requirement that the maximum assessed value of the property be redetermined when the property is first granted or disqualified from a partial exemption or property tax credit.
Refers proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.

Bill #: SJR 202 Title: Senior Property Tax Freeze Subject: Finance & Tax
Position: Monitor Staff: HW

Status: In committee upon adjournment.

Digest: The resolution would freeze the taxes levied on the homes of seniors. (Flesch Readability Score: 60.7).
Proposes an amendment to the Oregon Constitution directing the Legislative Assembly to enact a property tax relief program for owner-occupied primary residences of certain seniors.
Refers the proposed amendment to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election.