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Oregon Legislators to Assess Fallout of Federal Budget Cuts, Policy Outlook in November Hearings

Committees to review agency updates, reduction options, and priority issues for the upcoming legislative session

SALEM, Ore. – Oregon legislators will convene in Salem Nov. 17-19 for three days of committee hearings focused on addressing the fallout of the Trump administration’s economic chaos, and preparing for the 2026 legislative session.

The Trump administration’s budget bill created a nearly \$900 million hole in the state budget—threatening critical services like schools, health care, food assistance, natural resources, and public safety.

To start the budget rebalancing process, state agencies were directed earlier this autumn to compile potential budget reduction options. The results of this process will be reviewed by Ways and Means subcommittees next week, giving legislators and the public a clearer picture of what's at stake.

"The Trump administration created a multi-biennial, billion-dollar budget crisis for Oregon, and now it is up to the Legislature to work with local communities and make tough choices to best preserve the core, mandatory state services that support everyday Oregonians," said **Senate President Rob Wagner (D-Lake Oswego)**. "We know the value of the programs and services under review, and we will work to ensure Oregon protects core services and emerges from this crisis stronger."

Legislators will also hold informational meetings to lay the groundwork for potential policy initiatives in 2026.

"While the Trump administration is wreaking havoc on Oregonians' pocketbooks, our focus in this difficult budget environment is on making Oregon more affordable, protecting essential services, and ensuring every taxpayer dollar is being spent efficiently and effectively," said **Oregon House Speaker Julie Fahey (D-West Eugene and Veneta)**.

Complete committee agendas and links to live streaming and playback can be found on the [Oregon Legislative Information System](#). All committees can also be attended in-person at the Oregon Capitol. Below are some key agenda items scheduled for this week. Please be aware that posted agendas are subject to change.

Monday, November 17

House Interim Committee on Education

8:30 a.m., HRD

Update on Cellular Telephone Ban Rollout

- Johnna Timmes, Education Initiatives Director, Office of Governor Tina Kotek
- Jay Mathieson, Superintendent, Jefferson County, Coalition of Oregon School Administrators
- Tony Summers, High School Principal, Madras, Coalition of Oregon School Administrators
- Speaker to be determined, Oregon Education Association
- Lori Lieberman, Oregon Library Association

Accountability Implementation Update

- TBD, Oregon Department of Education

Joint Subcommittee on Human Services

8:30 a.m., HR G

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Oregon Health Authority

Reduction Options - Department of Human Services

Senate Interim Committee on Commerce and General Government

9:00 a.m., HR B

Update on Insurance Costs and Risk Impacts Related to Recreational Liability Waivers

Invited Speakers TBA

Advanced Manufacturing in Oregon: Statewide and Local Perspectives

Invited Speakers TBA

Senate Interim Committee on Judiciary

11:30 a.m., HRE

Oregon Sunshine Committee Update

- Charlie Fisher, OSPIRG State Director, Committee Co-Chair
- Morgan Smith, Polk County Counsel, Committee Co-Chair

Attorney General Rayfield's SPIRE Pilot –Tackling Organized Crime

- Attorney General Dan Rayfield
- Kevin Barton, District Attorney, Washington County
- Rich Austria, Special Agent in Charge, Oregon Department of Justice

Wrongful Conviction Compensation Process Update

- Janis C. Puracal, Executive Director and Attorney, Forensic Justice Project
- Leslie Wu, Policy Advisor, Office of the Attorney General Dan Rayfield

Automatic License Plate Readers

- Kevin Campbell
- Chris Skinner, Chief of Police, Eugene Police
- Ky Fireside, Organizer, Eyes Off Eugene

- Rob Sheldon, Organizer, Eyes Off Eugene

Oregon Public Defense Commission Unrepresented Persons Update

- Ken Sanchagrin, Interim Director, Oregon Public Defense Commission

House Interim Committee on Early Childhood and Human Services

12:00 p.m., HR D

Update on Changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Effects of the Federal Government Shutdown

- Dana Hittle, Acting Deputy Director, Oregon Department of Human Services
- Matt Newell-Ching, Policy Manager, Oregon Food Bank
- Danny Faccinetti, Vice President, Oregon Food Bank
- Lori Garrard, Executive Director, Klamath Lake Counties Food Bank
- Celess Roman, Executive Director, Clackamas Service Center
- Haris Kuljancic, Executive Director, Urban Gleaners

House Interim Committee on Climate, Energy, and Environment

12:00 p.m., HRA

Recycling Modernization Act Update

- Cheryl Grabham, Materials Management Program Manager, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- Logan Gilles, Legislative Coordinator, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality Circular Action Alliance
- Jana McKamey, Executive Director, Oregon Winegrowers Association
- Jeremy Jones, American Coatings Association
- California Strawberry Commission
- Terry Grill, Sealed Air, Coalition for Protein Packaging

Air Quality Permitting Improvement Initiatives

- Aeron Teverbaugh, Senior Legislative and Policy Analyst, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

- Matt Davis, Policy and External Affairs Manager, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality

State Energy Strategy

- Janine Benner, Director, Oregon Department of Energy
- Edith Bayer, Energy Policy Team Lead, Oregon Department of Energy

Stakeholder Comments on the State Energy Strategy

- Jennifer Joly, Director, Oregon Municipal Electric Utilities Association
- Tucker Billman, Director of Government Relations, Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association
- Portland General Electric
- NW Natural
- Nora Apter, Oregon Director, Climate Solutions

Joint Subcommittee on General Government

12:00 p.m., HR G

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Department of Administrative Services

Reduction Options - Department of Revenue

Reduction Options - Secretary of State

Senate Interim Committee on Human Services

2:30 p.m., HR D

Impact of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Changes on Populations Served by Office of Aging and People with Disabilities (APD) and Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)

- Presenters to be determined, Oregon Department of Human Services

Senate Interim Committee on Housing and Development

2:30 p.m., HR B

Federal Funding Update and effects on housing supports in Oregon

- Andrea Bell, Director, Oregon Housing and Community Services

Moderate Income Revolving Loan Fund (MIRL) Program Update from Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS)

- Tanisha Rosas, Senior Government Relations Strategist, OHCS
- Megan Ellertson, MIRL Program Manager, OHCS

Funded Inclusionary Zoning: Lessons from the Last Ten Years

- Michael Andersen, Sightline Institute
- Sarah Zahn, Security Properties
- Sarah Radcliffe, Habitat Portland

Mixed-Income Housing Construction Revolving Loan Fund Report and Recommendations (per SB 684, 2025) from Oregon Housing and Community Services

- Natasha Detweiler-Daby, Director of Affordable Rental Housing Division, OHCS
- Mitch Hannoosh, Policy Manager, OHCS
- Kelso Brasunas, Financial Strategy Analyst, OHCS

Joint Subcommittee on Public Safety

2:30 p.m., HR G

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Judicial Department
Reduction Options - Public Defense Commission
Reduction Options - Department of State Police
Reduction Options - Department of Corrections
Reduction Options - Oregon Youth Authority
Reduction Options - Department of Justice
Reduction Options - Criminal Justice Commission

Tuesday, November 18

Joint Subcommittee on Education

8:00 a.m., HR G

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Department of Early Learning and Care

Reduction Options - Department of Education

Reduction Options - Higher Education Coordinating Commission

House Interim Committee on Health Care

8:30 a.m., HR B

H.R. 1 Updates

- Clare Pierce-Wrobel, Health Policy & Analytics Director, Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

2026 Coordinated Care Organization Contracts Update - Lane County

- Dave Baden, Deputy Director for Policy & Programs, OHA
- Dave Inbody, CCO Operations Director, OHA
- Sarah Brewer, Plan President & Chief Executive Officer, Trillium Community Health Plan

Senate Interim Committee on Veterans, Emergency Management, Federal and World Affairs

8:30 a.m., HRC

Oregon National Guard Update

- Russell W. Gibson, Director, Government and Legislative Affairs, Oregon Military Department

Portland Police Bureau Update

- Craig Dobson, Assistant Chief of Operations, Portland Police Bureau
- Commander Schoening, Special Response Division, Portland Police Bureau

2025 Fire Season Recap

- Kyle Williams, Deputy Director of Fire Operations, Oregon Department of Forestry
- Speaker TBD, Oregon State Fire Marshal

Joint Subcommittee on Natural Resources

11:30 a.m., HR G

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Department of Forestry

Reduction Options - Water Resources Department

Reduction Options - Department of Environmental Quality

Reduction Options - Department of Energy

Reduction Options - Department of Fish and Wildlife

Reduction Options - Department of Agriculture

Reduction Options - Department of Land Conservation and Development

House Interim Committee on Housing and Homelessness

2:30 p.m., HR F

Understanding Oregon's Home Insurance Market

- TK Keen, Oregon Commissioner of Insurance, Division of Financial Regulation

Opportunity Zones and Their Impact on Housing Development

- Mark Gharst, Government Affairs Manager, Oregon Business

Update on Oregon's 1115 Medicaid Waiver and Housing-Related Services

- John English, Senior Policy Advisor Government Relations, Oregon Health Authority
- Jeremiah Rigsby, Chief of Staff, CareOregon
- Josh Balloch, VP, Health Policy & Communications, AllCare Health

Federal Housing Policy Update and Local Impacts

- Andrea Bell, Director, Oregon Housing and Community Services
- Jimmy Jones, Executive Director, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency

Progress on Post-Wildfire Housing Recovery Efforts

- Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS)

Budget Notes: Rent Assistance Programs and Shelter Standards

- Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS)

Joint Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development

2:30 p.m., HRG

Informational Meeting

Reduction Options - Oregon Business Development Department
Reduction Options - Housing and Community Services Department
Reduction Options - Department of Veterans' Affairs
Reduction Options - Bureau of Labor and Industries

Joint Emergency Board

5:30 p.m., HRF

Work Session

1. Department of Human Services - 2023-25 Close Out Plan
2. Oregon Health Authority - 2023-25 OEBC Expenditure Limitation
3. Department of Corrections - 2023-25 Healthcare Billing Process Backlog
4. Department of Emergency Management - Rowena Debris Management
5. Oregon Health Authority - Reproductive Health

Wednesday, November 19

House and Senate Interim Committee on Revenue

8:30 a.m., HRA

December Economic and Revenue Forecast

- Office of Economic Analysis

Senate Interim Committee on Transportation

2:30 p.m., HRE

Status Report on Public Transit in Oregon

- Art Guzzetti, American Public Transportation Association
- JC Vannatta, TriMet
- Michelle Carson, Klamath Tribes
- Scott Chancey, Josephine County
- Kane Lester, Community Connections of NE Oregon
- Amy Schlappi, Columbia Area Transit

Overview of Federal Policy and Funding Changes Impacting Transportation

- Susan Peithman, Climate Program Director, Oregon Department of Transportation
- Rachel Sakata, Transportation Section Manager, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
- Beth Osborne, Director, Transportation for America
- Elizabeth Turnbull, Alliance for Transportation Electrification
- Sam Ricketts, S2 Strategies
- Jeff Alen, Executive Director, Forth

Joint Interim Committee on Transportation Oversight

5:30 p.m., HRE

ODOT Megaproject Status and Financial Update

- Travis Brouwer, Deputy Director for Revenue and Finance, Oregon Department of Transportation
- Ray Mabey, Assistant Administrator, Interstate 5 Replacement Project, Oregon Department of Transportation

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