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House Passes Legislation to Reduce Management Levels in State Agencies

The Oregon House today passed legislation requiring state agencies to begin moving toward an 11-1 employee to management ratio. House Bill 2020, which passed 58-2, will save state dollars and promote government efficiency by requiring all agencies with more than 100 employees to review its management to staff ratios, as well as the job descriptions for those positions.

“I applaud this effort to save the state money and ensure that our resources are focused at providing services on the ground,” said State Rep. Jefferson Smith (D-Portland). “Every dollar in management costs that we can save is a dollar that we can use for front line services for kids, seniors and vulnerable Oregonians.”

House Ways and Means Democratic Co-Chair Peter Buckley is a chief sponsor of the legislation.

“We’re now going to require state agencies to appear before our budget committees with clear information on those ratios and how they intend to achieve our goal of 11 staff for every manager. As we work to make state government more effective in providing services, reviewing these management structures are critical in using our tax dollars more effectively,” said Buckley (D-Ashland).

The bill now moves to the Senate for its consideration.

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