2007 Regular Legislative Session
FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION
Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: HB 2357 **STATUS:** A Engrossed
SUBJECT: Allows the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to authorize use of electronic documents in lieu of original paper copies.
GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Oregon Judicial Department
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DATE: February 12, 2007

	2007-2009	2009-2011
EXPENDITURES:		
See Comments		
REVENUES:		
See Comments		

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2008

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET: This bill is not anticipated by the Governor's recommended budget.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

COMMENTS: This measure will have an indeterminate fiscal impact. The bill allows the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to authorize the use of electronic documents and signatures, through rule, in lieu of paper copies. There will be a cost associated with the implementation of an electronic document management system. However, those costs could be offset by greater efficiencies in the handling of documents. The bill is effective on January 1, 2008. The timing of implementation and rulemaking is at the discretion of the Chief Justice. Without additional information concerning system and implementation costs and the expected cost savings associated with increased efficiencies, it is not possible at this time to estimate the fiscal impact.