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Measure Description:

Authorizes Chief Justice of Supreme Court to establish reasonable fees for use of state court electronic applications and systems.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Judicial Department

Summary of Revenue Impact: See Analysis

Summary of Expenditure Impact: See Analysis

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.

Analysis:

The measure authorizes the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to establish reasonable fees for the use of state court applications and systems.

Currently, statute allows for the Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) to charge fees to third parties for the access and use of data and reports from the Oregon Judicial Information Network (OJIN). This measure would allow for OJD to establish fees for other state court electronic applications and systems like the Oregon eCourt Initiative that is expected to be fully implemented by 2016. OJD anticipates that the applications that currently are operated on OJIN, and for which OJD charges fees, will be transferred to the eCourt program.

The revenue impact to OJD is indeterminate. The measure provides OJD with more flexibility to establish fees, but the types of fees and their respective amounts that may be established are unknown.

There is no expenditure impact to OJD as a result of this measure.