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Measure Description:

Requires court, under certain circumstances, to appoint legal counsel for respondent or protected person in protective proceeding.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Public Defense Services Commission (PDSC), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the Senate Committee on Judiciary to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

This bill requires the court to appoint counsel in specified guardianship/conservatorship cases and requires the court to order attorneys costs and fees to be paid for by Public Defense Services Commission under certain circumstances. Further, this bill directs the Oregon Judicial Department to establish a pilot project, collect data and report back to the legislature about this process.

The measure is anticipated to have an impact on the Public Defense Services Commission and the Oregon Judicial Department.

A more complete fiscal analysis on the measure will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required