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SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 4040 Relating to family treatment courts

HB 4040 requires the Judicial Department to establish a Family Treatment Court in Clackamas and Douglas counties. This new specialty court program will provide a collaborative case management model with investments in comprehensive services and critical judicial resources for families at risk due to substance abuse by a parent or caregiver. Some of the desired program outcomes include fewer children placed in foster care, sustained recovery and sobriety of parents, and reduced re-entry to the child welfare system.

The measure has a fiscal impact for three agencies: the Judicial Department, Public Defense Services Commission, and Department of Human Services. The total combined General Fund cost in the current biennium is estimated to be \$2,980,951, with General Fund costs increasing to \$10,214,582 in 2021-23. The recommended amendment adds appropriations to the bill and reduces the number of counties in which the program is to be implemented.

The Capital Construction Subcommittee recommends HB 4040 be amended by the –6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.