

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: SB 271 - A

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Measure Description:

Appropriates \$5,000,000 General Fund to Department of Justice to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Justice (DOJ)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure may require budgetary action - See analysis.

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

| | 2021-23 Biennium | 2023-25 Biennium |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| General Fund | | |
| Special Payments | 5,000,000 | |
| Total General Fund | \$5,000,000 | \$0 |

Analysis:

SB 271 A-Engrossed appropriates \$5,000,000 General Fund to the Department of Justice (DOJ) to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs. The measure also extends the sunset from January 2, 2022 to January 2, 2024 on statutes that authorizes the Department of Justice to assist victims of domestic violence and sexual assault with housing needs, including through homelessness prevention, housing search assistance, tenant education and funding for rent, utilities, moving costs deposits, application fees or safe emergency housing. The measure directs DOJ to report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022 regarding the expenditures for this work. The measure takes effect on July 1, 2021.

DOJ’s Crime Victims Survivor Services Division (CVSSD) will distribute the entire appropriation to tribal domestic and sexual violence programs and non-profit, non-governmental domestic and sexual violence service agencies in a manner consistent with distributions of funds from the Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services (ODSVS) fund unless the ODSVS/CVSSD Advisory Committee determines that a different distribution formula is necessary to achieve the stated purposes of this measure.

This measure warrants a subsequent referral to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means for consideration of General Fund impact.