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To: Public Safety Subcommittee

From: John Borden, Legislative Fiscal Office

Date: May 25, 2023

Subject: HB 2225 – Relating to courts
Work Session Recommendations

The measure increases the cost of court transcripts from \$3 to \$4.25 per page and authorizes the Judicial Department to periodically increase the maximum fee a transcriber may charge based on the Consumer Price Index. The measure reduces the circuit court filing fee for contempt proceedings from the current law fee \$111 to \$56. The measure also modifies the process to appoint senior judges and allows senior judges to issue search warrants under specific circumstances, among other provisions.

This measure declares an emergency and is effective upon passage; however, the provision related to court transcripts has an operative date of the 91st day after sine die and the reduction to the circuit court filing fee for contempt proceedings has an effective date of October 1, 2023.

A staff measure summary, fiscal impact statement, and revenue impact statement are available on the Oregon Legislative Information System (OLIS) and a budget report will be prepared for the measure. There is one budget amendment to the measure.

Recommended Changes

LFO recommends adoption of the –2 amendment.

MOTION: I move adoption of the –2 amendment to HB 2225. (VOTE)

Final Subcommittee Action

LFO recommends that HB 2225, as amended by the –2 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move HB 2225, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

Carriers

Full Committee: _____

House Floor: _____

Senate Floor: _____