

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2391

Ordered by the House April 7
Including House Amendments dated April 7

Sponsored by Representative LEWIS (at the request of Oregon District Attorneys Association) (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Appropriates moneys for 2023-2025 biennium to [*Oregon Department of Administrative Services*] **Department of Justice** to fund county victim assistance programs. Directs department to distribute moneys so as to fund one victim assistance advocate for each [*two*] **four** prosecuting attorneys serving in county district attorney office, or to fund one victim assistance advocate if [*only one prosecuting attorney serves*] **fewer than four prosecuting attorneys serve** in county district attorney office.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to funding for county crime victim assistance programs; and prescribing an effective date.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Department of Justice, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$25,400,000, which may be expended for the purpose of funding**
5 **county victim assistance programs in accordance with the distribution schedule set forth in**
6 **section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

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9 **SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Justice shall distribute moneys appropriated to the**
10 **department under section 1 of this 2023 Act in accordance with the following schedule:**

11 (a) **For every four full-time equivalent prosecuting attorneys serving in a county district**
12 **attorney office, the department shall distribute an amount sufficient to fund one victim as-**
13 **sistance advocate position in the county district attorney office; or**

14 (b) **If fewer than four full-time equivalent prosecuting attorneys serve in the county**
15 **district attorney office, the department shall distribute an amount sufficient to fund one**
16 **victim assistance advocate.**

17 (2) **Amounts distributed under this section shall be equal biennial amounts for each full-**
18 **time equivalent victim assistance advocate being funded.**

19 (3) **Amounts that are unexpended as of June 30, 2025, shall revert to the General Fund.**

20 **SECTION 3. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023**
21 **regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.