

SB 96 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

The measure increases the salaries of state court judges in the Oregon Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Tax Court, and circuit courts beginning on July 1, 2025. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Specifies the annual salaries of each judicial position.

BACKGROUND:

ORS 292.406, 292.411, 292.416, and 292.426 set judicial salaries for judgeships in the Oregon Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Tax Court, and circuit courts. The last statutory salary increases for state court judges took effect in 2019, with subsequent adjustments limited to cost-of-living increases. Senate Bill 96 amends ORS 292.406, 292.411, 292.416, and 292.426 to provide a salary increase for state court judges beginning July 1, 2025.