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Bill Title: Relating to driving while under the influence of intoxicants; prescribing an effective date.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Judicial Department, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Justice, Counties, Criminal Justice Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

Costs related to the measure are indeterminate at this time - see explanatory analysis.

Measure Description

The measure increases the cost for court ordered screening interviews from \$150 to \$250. Additionally, the measure broadens the applicable use of funds in the Intoxicated Driver Program Fund to include paying for screening interviews, the agency or organization conducting the screening interview, and for driving while under the influence of intoxicants education programs for indigent defendants. The measure takes effect on the 91st day after sine die.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact of the measure is indeterminate. The Criminal Fines Account (CFA) is the sole revenue source for the Intoxicated Driver Program Fund (IDPF). Increasing the applicable expenses that can be paid through the IDPF may require an increased allocation from the CFA, which is experiencing declining revenues. The Governor's budget for the 2025-27 biennium includes a one-time \$1.5 million General Fund appropriation to backfill the forecasted loss of revenues in the CFA. Absent sufficient revenue, the related activities may not be carried out, in full or in part, during the 2025-27 biennium. Additionally, any modifications to statutory revenue streams, existing allocations, the priority of existing allocations, or the establishment of new allocations, from the Criminal Fine Account (CFA) could impact state agency budgets that rely on this funding. Any undistributed funds in the CFA are deposited into the General Fund, so any modifications also impact the availability of General Fund revenue.

Relevant Dates

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