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Bill Title: Relating to public safety.

Government Unit(s) Affected: Burns Paiute Tribe, Cities, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Coquille Indian Tribe, Counties, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians, Criminal Justice Commission, Department of Corrections, Department of State Police, Judicial Department, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Justice, District Attorneys, Klamath Tribes, Oregon Health and Science University, Public Defense Commission

Summary of Fiscal Impact

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

Measure Description

The measure creates the following funds within the State Treasury to be separate and distinct from the General Fund.

- The Oregon Public Safety Fund,
- The Oregon Treatment Court Grant Program Account,
- The Organized Retail Theft Grant Program Account, and;
- The Jason Myers Public Safety Wellness Grant Program Account.

The moneys in the funds are continuously appropriated to CJC to carry out the acts of the measure.

Additionally, the measure establishes the Oregon Public Safety Coordination Grant Program (PSC program) within the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC). The grant program consolidates existing CJC grant programs under the PSC program to create a unified application process for counties and non-county applicants.

The grant programs include:

- The Justice Reinvestment Program
- The Oregon Treatment Court Grant Program
- The Oregon Behavioral Health Deflection Program
- The Restorative Justice Grant Program
- The Oregon Law Enforcement Grant Program
 - Which includes the Organized Retail Theft Grant Program, the Illegal Marijuana Market Enforcement Grant Program, the Oregon Jail-Based Medication for Opioid Use Disorder Grant Program, and the Jason Myers Public Safety Wellness Grant Program
- The Improving People’s Access to Community-based Treatment, Supports and Services Program

The measure authorizes CJC to retain up to 3% of the remaining funds within the Oregon Public Safety Fund to support analysis or evaluation of outcome measures. The measure also provides that any funds appropriated to CJC for the Justice Reinvestment Program that remain on July 1, 2026 shall be deposited into the Oregon Public Safety Fund.

The measure authorizes CJC to retain 3% of the moneys within the Oregon Behavioral Health Deflection Program Account to support data collection and analysis or evaluation of outcome measures and 2% of the moneys to support technical assistance.

Lastly, the measure changes the membership of CJC from nine members to 12 and requires the Governor to appoint nine members according to the specifications of the measure. The President of the Senate is required to appoint one Senator as a nonvoting member and the Speaker of the House of Representatives must appoint one Representative as a nonvoting member. The Chief Justice is also directed to appoint a representative of the Judicial Department as a nonvoting member.

Fiscal Analysis

The fiscal impact is indeterminate for CJC depending on the funding source and amount provided to fund the multiple grant programs.

The measure establishes the Oregon Public Safety Fund, the Oregon Treatment Court Grant Program Account, the Organized Retail Theft Grant Program Account, and the Jason Myers Public Safety Wellness Grant Program Account without providing an identified source of revenue to fund the measures requirements. Absent sufficient revenue available for the fund, the activities required by the measure may not be carried out, in full or in part, during the 2025-27 biennium.

The measure has a minimal fiscal impact on the Department of Justice and Oregon Judicial department. The measure has no fiscal impact on the District Attorneys, Department of Corrections, Oregon Health Authority, Oregon Health and Science University, Department of State Police, Public Defense Commission, Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes, cities, and counties.

Relevant Dates

The measure declares an emergency and takes effect on passage.