

**SB 163 A BUDGET REPORT and MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Joint Committee On Ways and Means**

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**Oregon Health Authority**  
**2025-27**

**Department of Justice**  
**2025-27**

## **Budget Summary\***

	2023-25 Legislatively Approved Budget <sup>(1)</sup>	2025-27 Committee Recommendation	Committee Change from 2023-25 Leg. Approved	
			\$ Change	% Change
<b>Oregon Health Authority</b>				
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 598,249	\$ 598,249	100.0%
Other Funds Limited	\$ -	\$ 1,647,546	\$ 1,647,546	100.0%
<b>Department of Justice</b>				
Other Funds Limited	\$ -	\$ 183,402	\$ 183,402	100.0%
Total	\$ -	\$ 2,429,197	\$ 2,429,197	

## **Position Summary**

### **Oregon Health Authority**

Authorized Positions	0	5	5
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	0.00	4.09	4.09

### **Department of Justice**

Authorized Positions	0	1	1
Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions	0.00	0.38	0.38

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes adjustments through January 2025

\* Excludes Capital Construction expenditures

## **Summary of Revenue Changes**

Senate Bill 163 makes a one-time appropriation of \$598,249 General Fund and increases Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$1,647,546 to the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and increases Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$183,402 for the Department of Justice (DOJ) to implement changes made to Oregon Parentage laws. Other Funds revenues for OHA will be covered by existing fees collected by the Vital Records program and Other Funds revenues for DOJ will be covered by transfers from the Oregon Department of Human Services Child Welfare Division. Certain changes go into effect January 1, 2026, and others on January 1, 2027.

## **Summary of Public Safety Subcommittee Action**

Senate Bill 163 incorporates updates to parentage laws based on the Uniform Parentage Act. The measure updates definitions to legal terminology, procedures related to adjudicating parentage cases, and addresses parentage carried out through assisted reproduction and surrogacy. Both agencies will need to make updates to training materials, communications, websites, and existing systems to comply with the new laws. In addition, new training will be provided to partner agencies to ensure that future casework practices align with new laws.

### **Oregon Health Authority**

The Subcommittee recommended budget for OHA includes a one-time appropriation of \$598,249 General Fund and an increase of Other Funds expenditure limitation by \$1,647,546 to hire five positions (4.09 FTE).

#### **Public Health**

The Subcommittee's recommended budget funds three positions (2.25 FTE) in the Public Health Division and Center for Health Statistics. These positions include: one limited duration Administrative Specialist 1 (0.25 FTE) to support administrative functions related to implementing program changes, one limited duration Operations and Policy Analyst 3 (1.00 FTE) to provide project management for implementation of the required program changes, and one limited duration Program Analyst 2 (1.00 FTE) to coordinate and prepare new forms for implementing the program.

While this budget increase covers position costs, it does not cover the costs related to making changes to the Oregon Vital Events Registration System, the state's vital records and statistics electronic systems. OHA will cover those costs by utilizing Other Funds revenue generated from the Vital Records fees already in place.

#### **Shared Services**

The Subcommittee's recommended budget funds two positions (1.84 FTE). These positions include one limited duration Information Systems Specialist 8 (0.92 FTE) to oversee and coordinate changes to the vital records system and one permanent, full-time Information Systems Specialist 8 position (0.92 FTE in the 2025-27 biennium and 1.00 FTE in the 2027-29 biennium) to map new requirements to existing processes and identify system gaps.

### **Department of Justice**

The Subcommittee recommended budget for DOJ includes an Other Funds expenditure limitation increase by \$183,402 to hire one permanent, part-time position (0.38 FTE in the 2025-27 biennium and 0.50 FTE in the 2027-29 biennium). This position, located in DOJ's Child Advocacy and Protection Division, will develop and present trainings regarding changes in parentage laws and assist partner agencies with training and revising forms, as well as supporting agencies on future cases involving child welfare and dependency issues.

## DETAIL OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ACTION

Oregon Health Authority, Department of Justice  
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DESCRIPTION	GENERAL FUND	LOTTERY FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS		FEDERAL FUNDS		TOTAL ALL FUNDS	POS	FTE
			LIMITED	NONLIMITED	LIMITED	NONLIMITED			
SUBCOMMITTEE ADJUSTMENTS (from CSL)									
Oregon Health Authority									
SCR 030-05 - Public Health									
Personal Services	\$ 543,018	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	543,018	3	2.25
Services and Supplies	\$ 55,231	\$ -	\$ 738,734	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	793,965		
Special Payments	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 160,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	160,000		
SCR 010-45 - Shared Services									
Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 728,766	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	728,766	2	1.84
Services and Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,968	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	9,968		
SCR 010-50 - SAEC									
Services and Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,078	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	10,078		
Department of Justice									
SCR 035 - Child Advocacy Division									
Personal Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137,759	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	137,759	1	0.38
Services and Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,643	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	45,643		
TOTAL SUBCOMMITTEE ADJUSTMENTS	\$ 598,249	\$ -	\$ 1,830,948	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	2,429,197	6	4.47