

A-Engrossed House Bill 5012

Ordered by the House June 16
Including House Amendments dated June 16

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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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act creates an agency budget. (Flesch Readability Score: 73.8).

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the Judicial Department for certain biennial expenses.

Limits certain biennial expenditures from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and reimbursements from federal service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and other federal funds, collected or received by the department.

Limits biennial expenditures by the department from federal funds.

Appropriates moneys from the General Fund to the department for the Oregon Law Commission, the Council on Court Procedures, conciliation and mediation services in circuit courts, law libraries and the Legal Services Program.

Declares an emergency, effective *[July 1, 2025]* **on passage**.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the financial administration of the Judicial Department; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There are appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the following amounts, for the following purposes:

(1) Judicial compensation.....	\$ 126,209,444
(2) Operations.....	\$ 593,009,737
(3) Mandated payments	\$ 29,077,612
(4) State court technology	
systems	\$ 17,906,459
(5) Debt service	\$ 51,607,494
(6) Third-party debt	
collection.....	\$ 18,106,042
(7) State Court Facilities and	
Security Account	\$ 4,225,884

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and including reimbursements from federal service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds not described in this section, collected or received by the Judicial Department for the following purposes:

(1) Operations.....	\$ 18,864,753
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Note: For budget, see 2025-2027 Biennial Budget

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.

(2)	Mandated payments	\$	797,955
(3)	State Court Facilities and		
	Security Account	\$	6,755,282
(4)	State Court Technology Fund...	\$	13,370,595
(5)	Oregon Courthouse Capital		
	Construction and Improvement		
	Fund.....	\$	119,940,466

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of \$5,408,623 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from federal funds other than those described in section 2 of this 2025 Act collected or received by the Judicial Department.

SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$389,786 for payment of expenses of the Oregon Law Commission.

SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$61,242 for payment of expenses of the Council on Court Procedures.

SECTION 6. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$8,735,212 for the purpose of providing conciliation and mediation services in circuit courts.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute the moneys appropriated under this section to the counties of this state to fund conciliation and mediation services in circuit courts. The Chief Justice shall consult with the presiding judges of the circuit courts before making the distributions.

SECTION 7. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$8,735,211 for the purpose of operating law libraries or providing law library services.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute the moneys appropriated under this section to the counties of this state based on revenues received from filing fees collected during the biennium ending June 30, 2025, in civil actions commenced in the circuit court for the county.

SECTION 8. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$14,902,860 for the purpose of funding the Legal Services Program described in ORS 9.572.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute all moneys appropriated under this section to the Oregon State Bar in eight quarterly installments of equal amount.

SECTION 9. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses by the Judicial Department from American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund moneys received by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and transferred to the Judicial Department, for external pass-through payments, for the following purposes:

- 1 (1) Harney County Courthouse
2 annex renovation \$ 3,000,000
3 (2) Umatilla County Courthouse
4 replacement planning..... \$ 100,000
5 (3) Hood River Courthouse
6 replacement planning..... \$ 42,549

7 **SECTION 10.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the limitation on
8 expenditures established by section 2 (3), chapter 380, Oregon Laws 2023, for the biennium
9 ending June 30, 2025, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or
10 other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and including reimbursements from federal
11 service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds not described in section
12 2, chapter 380, Oregon Laws 2023, collected or received by the Judicial Department, for the
13 State Court Facilities and Security Account, is decreased by \$792,500, for a budget realign-
14 ment.

15 **SECTION 11.** In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appro-
16 priated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium ending June 30, 2025, out of the General
17 Fund, the amount of \$792,500, for state and county court facilities security and emergency
18 preparedness.

19 **SECTION 12.** Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the limitation on
20 expenditures established by section 2 (4), chapter 380, Oregon Laws 2023, for the biennium
21 ending June 30, 2025, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or
22 other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and including reimbursements from federal
23 service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds not described in section
24 2, chapter 380, Oregon Laws 2023, collected or received by the Judicial Department, for the
25 State Court Technology Fund, is decreased by \$2,927,500, for a budget realignment.

26 **SECTION 13.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation
27 made to the Judicial Department by section 1 (4), chapter 380, Oregon Laws 2023, for the
28 biennium ending June 30, 2025, for state court technology systems, is increased by \$2,927,500.

29 **SECTION 14.** This 2025 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
30 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2025 Act takes effect
31 on its passage.
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