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The Oregon Judges Association and the Oregon Justice of the Peace Association represents appointed and elected local judges in approximately 150 city municipal, county justice, and tribal courts. Occasionally these courts hold jury trials on various matters, although that number is fairly minimal. We appreciate the Oregon Judicial Department's efforts to improve jury trials and their efforts to involve local courts. OJD remains a strong partner to our local courts and we always are looking for opportunities to provide more efficient and effective access to justice to all citizens in Oregon. We look forward to participating in the task force.