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To: Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction

From: Thom Martin, Assistant Director of Administrative Services

Re: Oregon Department of Corrections testimony in support of SB 5505

Good morning Co-Chairs Girod & Nosse, and members of the subcommittee. For the record, my name is Thom Martin, I am the Assistant Director for Administrative Services for the Department of Corrections. I am here today in support of Senate Bill 5505

The department is requesting \$85.7 million in Q-Bonds for four separate requests:

- 1. High priority capital renewal needs at all institutions,
- 2. The continued replacement and upgrades of institution communication systems
- 3. Computerized Maintenance Management System replacement (CMMS) and,
- 4. Scheduling System Replacement (ISDS)

DOC operates 12 prisons across the state. These institutions house nearly 12,000 adults in custody, employ over 3,300 security staff, and operate on a 24/7, 365 day a year operating schedule to as we carry out our mission to protect communities, promote accountability, and transform lives.

Our current deferred maintenance backlog is over \$626 million for Priority One items, which are identified as being critical to health, safety, and the likelihood of rapid deterioration. The maintenance budgets for DOC facilities are generally insufficient to address the deterioration associated with round the clock operations that range from 15 years to over 100 years in age. DOC is requesting \$70 million to address items in categories such as: Roofs, HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, Building Elements, Hazardous Material Abatement, Infrastructure, and Fire Marshal Repairs.

DOC also requests \$12.9 million in Capital Construction funds to continue upgrades to the department's wireless communication system. Reliable wireless communications systems are a critical element in ensuring our ability to protect life, maintain security, and provide safety for staff, Adults In Custody, and the public.

We are also seeking \$2.25 million to replace our current Computerized Maintenance Management System, which is over 20 years old and has ceased offering software support or updates. A modern Maintenance System will increase asset and workflow visibility, provide preventative maintenance tools, address concerns related to health, safety, and the environment, and will increase data security.

Lastly, we have requested \$600,000 for the replacement of our current staff scheduling software utilized across all DOC institutions. It is specifically used for: scheduling, vacancy tracking, post tracking, and evaluation of position and leave usage for our over 3,300 security staff. The ISDS was implemented in 2001 utilizing a programming language that has not been supported by Microsoft since 2005. Modern scheduling software offers enhanced efficiencies, improved reporting, and user-friendly features.

These funding requests meet critical needs and support the department's mission. I thank you for your time and welcome any questions you may have.