

## Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII

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TO:

Senate Judiciary Committee

FROM:

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Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII

**SUBJECT:** 

Support for HB 3174-A

## INTRODUCTION

HB 3174-A addresses Oregon's Alcohol and Drug Screening Specialist (ADSS) statutory screening fee for individuals granted entry into DUII Diversion or convicted of DUII, and the payment of screening interviews for indigent defendants. The ADSS statutory screening fee has remained at \$150.00 for over 20 years. An adjustment to this fee requires an amendment to ORS 813.020 (1)(b) and ORS 813.021 (1)(b). This fee cannot be adjusted by an individual or private organization and a fee adjustment would ensure funding to align with the necessary workload associated with ADSS responsibilities.

## **DISCUSSION**

The current ADSS screening fee of \$150.00 does not support the work or associated costs involved in conducting screening assessments, submitting treatment referrals, monitoring treatment compliance and reporting both compliance and noncompliance matters to the court. The duties completed under the ADSS serve as a critical link between the court, treatment providers and the Oregon Health Authority in facilitating communication, ensuring accuracy, and lending technical support to community partners as well as supportive guidance to DUII participants.

## **SUMMARY**

The Governor's Advisory Committee (GAC) on DUII supports the work of the ADSS's and view them as critical component in the efforts to reduce DUII in Oregon. By increasing the ADSS fee from \$150.00 to \$250.00, this would assist in maintaining critical evidence-based practices to support reductions in recidivism while helping serve those people in need of behavioral change. The GAC on DUII respectfully encourages the passage of HB 3174-A and the ADSS fee increase.

Sincerely,

Chuck Hayes, Chair

Governor's Advisory Committee on DUII

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