

informed of their rights. Additional costs may be realized if a victim(s) is not informed of their rights. In this case the court must conduct a show cause hearing to determine whether or not the victim's rights have been violated. OJD estimates between 13 and 25 cases per year. This bill also provides that a victim can appeal directly to the Oregon Supreme Court for relief. OJD has estimated 10 cases per year may be appealed to the Oregon State Supreme Court. It should be noted that the additional staff and judge time would be spread over 27 judicial districts and the individual courts may have to adapt to shifts in workload. Participation in the Task Force on Victim's Rights Enforcement would be absorbed within current resources.

The Public Defense Services Commission (PDSC) has estimated the additional costs at approximately \$46,000 per biennium. PDSC's costs would be associated with reviewing, responding, and attending show cause hearings and any appeals heard by the Oregon Supreme Court. PDSC estimates approximately 170 show cause hearings at the trial court level and 10 cases per year at the appellate level. Participation in the Task Force on Victim's Rights Enforcement would be absorbed within current resources.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) established, through administrative actions, 2 positions (1.5 FTE) in the Crime Victims Services Division (CVSD) in May of 2008 to address the issues presented by the constitutional amendments. DOJ has also proposed a policy option package as part of the Governor's recommended budget to make these positions permanent within CVSD. The biennial cost of these positions is \$465,548. These positions will be responsible for rulemaking, training, outreach, and facilitating. The District Attorneys did not respond to requests for information, but it is likely that the District Attorneys and their staffs will incur additional cost associated with this bill. The above estimates are heavily qualified and based on a number of assumptions which could significantly vary; and a reliable estimate of the total fiscal impact of this bill is not available.