2009 Regular Legislative Session FISCAL ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION Prepared by the Oregon Legislative Fiscal Office

MEASURE NUMBER: SB 270 STATUS: Original

SUBJECT: Authorizes Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to establish various procedures.

GOVERNMENT UNIT AFFECTED: Oregon Judicial Department

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<u>2009-2011</u> <u>2011-2013</u>

EXPENDITURES:

See Analysis.

EFFECTIVE DATE: On passage.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATE: This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

ANALYSIS: This bill allows the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to establish procedures for closing courts due to emergency, authorizes presiding judge to delegate certain powers to another or to the trial court administrator, modifies provisions concerning imposition and collection of certain court fees, and modifies certain judgments.

Section 3 of the bill expands the uses of the Collection Referral Assessment account to include some information technology programming costs, time spent reconciling data, and time spent managing third party collections accounts. These costs are not currently reimbursable from the account and are reimbursed from the Oregon Judicial Department's general collections account.