

**REVENUE: No revenue impact**

**FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued**

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Close, Dingfelder, Kruse, Roblan, Prozanski

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 2/7, 3/7

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Allows consolidation of probation violation proceedings in multiple courts. Allows Chief Justice to appoint out-of-district judge as acting presiding judge upon vacancy. Removes duplicative filing in dissolution cases. Provides flexibility for certified court reporting program. Makes other changes related to judicial administration. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- District Attorneys must approve consolidation of probation violation proceedings
- Reason for emergency clause

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Restores Section (5) of ORS 1.003 which was deleted in original bill. Restores the consent and approval language for probation violation proceedings.

**BACKGROUND:** Senate Bill 51 A is a housekeeping bill for the Oregon Judicial Department that addresses court improvements and efficiencies. The original bill was amended to retain the language regarding consent in probation violation proceedings in response to concerns expressed by the Oregon District Attorneys Association (ODAA).