

# REVENUE IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Seventy-Seventh Oregon Legislative Assembly  
**2013 Regular Session**  
 Legislative Revenue Office

<b>Bill Number:</b>	<b>HB 2562 - C</b>
<b>Revenue Area:</b>	<b>Court fees and fines</b>
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*Only Impacts on Original or Engrossed Versions are Considered Official*

## Measure Description:

Allows Chief Justice of Supreme Court to adopt rules governing use of electronic applications for all state court records .

## Revenue Impact (in \$Millions):

	2013-15	2015-17	2017-19
Unitary fee Going to \$45	(\$8,289,282)	(\$8,455,749)	(\$8,625,563)
Parity impacts on collection	(\$940,005)	(\$958,882)	(\$978,139)
<b>Total reduction to State Revenue (CFA)</b>	<b>(\$9,229,287)</b>	<b>(\$9,414,631)</b>	<b>(\$9,603,702)</b>
	10-1-2013 through 6-30-2014		
Increase some state court filing fees by %5	\$1.5		

Due to the order of distribution, the reduction will have a negative impact on state revenue. However, it might not be exactly equivalent to positive impacts on locals.

## Impact Explanation:

The revenue impacts of this measure come from the following sources:

- Reduces the amount of a criminal fine collected by a justice or municipal court that must be paid to the Criminal Fine Account prior to any other distribution of the fine revenue, from \$60 to \$45. It is important to keep in mind that although this will be a negative impact for the state it might not be exactly equivalent to the positive impacts on locals.
- Modifies the application of partial fine payments in justice and municipal courts to provide for an equal split in amounts collected (above the first \$45) in situations where a fully-paid fine is split between the state and a local jurisdictions. Assuming the overall collection rates of 70% and partial amounts of another 21%, then the reduction in revenue is around 9% of current amounts.
- Provides that if a fine is paid in full that the last \$15 of the amount collected is to be paid to the county to be used for drug and alcohol programs, correctional programs and facilities, and local court security. The lower order of this payment will reduce the amount going to counties.
- Increases specified state court fees by approximately five percent on October 1, 2013, and sunsets those increases on June 30, 2014.

**Creates, Extends, or Expands Tax Expenditure:**      Yes  No

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