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The Honorable Richard Devlin, Co-Chair
The Honorable Peter Buckley, Co-Chair
Interim Joint Committee on Ways and Means
900 Court Street NE
H-178 State Capitol
Salem, OR 97301-4048

Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of the Emergency

The Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (the Board) is facing imminent failure of the Parole Board Management Information System (PBMIS), which is the Board's primary information system for all Board business and processes.

Implemented in 1997, PBMIS is a client/server (networked) system written for the Board to interface with the Department of Corrections (DOC) Corrections Information System (CIS) and provide various functions unique to the Board. The system was written as a joint project between DOC and the Board, and the current agreement is highly beneficial, as it reduces the expense and complexity of Board and DOC data exchange.

In 2012, DOC invested in an Enterprise agreement with Microsoft and is now able to receive current lifecycle upgrades for *all* their Microsoft software. In 2014 DOC is planning to upgrade to a new operating system, which means PBMIS, in its current form, will no longer function.

There are dozens of shared tables communicating between CIS and PBMIS.

If access to PBMIS comes to an end, the majority of the Board's programmatic function will cease to exist electronically.

Agency Action

Various attempts have been made by past and present Board system analysts to rewrite the application; however, because the Board does not have a full-time dedicated programming staff; it has proven to be too large a project for one person to accomplish in a reasonable amount of time.

Action Requested

The Board respectfully requests the Interim Joint Ways and Means Committee approve an increase in appropriation, in order to pay for the rewrite of the Parole Board Management Information System.

Legislation Affected

The Board and DOC do not anticipate any legislation revisions if this request is approved.

Attached is an addendum with additional system and risk information relevant to this request.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "B. Carney". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "B" and a long, sweeping "C" for "Carney".

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