77th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2014 Regular Session **MEASURE: HB 4066 CARRIER:**

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

House Committee on Judiciary

REVENUE: Revenue statement issued FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass and Refer to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference

Vote:

Barton, Cameron, Hicks, Lininger, Williamson, Barker Yeas:

Navs:

Exc.: Krieger, Olson, Tomei Alex Britain, Law Clerk **Prepared By:**

Meeting Dates: 2/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Authorizes Chief Justice of Supreme Court to establish reasonable fees for use of Oregon Judicial Case Information Network so long as prior notice is given to interested parties along with reasonable time for interested parties to comment. Repeals sunset on increases in certain filing fees, fees for writs of garnishment, and marriage solemnization fees. Repeals sunset on provisions directing State Court Administrator to transfer certain percentage of fees paid to court into State Court Technology Fund. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Age of OJIN
- Need for new system
- Cost of new system

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: In order to maintain the budgets of the State Courts, the Chief Justice currently has the authority to set fees for the online network known as Oregon Judicial Information Network (OJIN). An increase in statutory filing fees that was set in 2013 is set to expire on June 30, 2014.

HB 4066 will authorize the Chief Justice to set reasonable fees for access to data from electronic case management systems collectively known as Oregon Judicial Case Information Network (OJCIN) with an additional provision requiring the Chief Justice to give prior notice of any changes to fees under OJCIN along with reasonable time for comment on fee decisions prior to implementation. HB 4066 will also repeal the sunset provisions that are set to go into effect on June 30, 2014.