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Chair Prozanski and
Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee
Oregon State Capitol
Salem, Oregon

RE: **HB 3399A** -14 amendments

Dear Senators:

Because of my pending docket in Keizer Municipal Court, I am unable to attend the work session on HB 3399A, now scheduled for June 3, 2015. For that reason, on behalf of the Oregon Municipal Judges Association and the Oregon Justice of the Peace Association, I wish to go on record strongly favoring the -14 amendments to HB 3399A. It is my understanding that the -14 amendments replace all other amendments proposed in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Those -14 amendments greatly ease our concerns with the original bill and the amended bill coming out of the House Judiciary Committee. It will provide sufficient guidance to allow local courts to make the overall changes required without undue hardship. HB 3399A with the -14 amendments constitute a bill which we now support for achieving a better judicial system in Oregon.

I want to thank Senator Prozanski and Representative Nathanson for working with us on making some of these changes. We have always supported the concept of accountability in the local courts in all matters. This bill with the proposed amendment moves us significantly in that direction while maintaining the utilities and efficiencies of the local courts.

Sincerely yours,

Judge A. Carl Myers,
Keizer Municipal Court and
Jefferson Municipal Court.

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