

OREGON JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT Office of the State Court Administrator

April 20, 2017 (SENT BY EMAIL)

The Honorable Senator Richard Devlin, Co-Chair
The Honorable Representative Nancy Nathanson, Co-Chair
Joint Committee on Ways and Means
900 Court Street NE
H-178 State Capitol
Salem, OR 97301-4048

Re: OJD Report on Changes to Planned Capital Improvement Projects

for the 2015-17 Biennium

Dear Co-Chairpersons:

Nature of Request

The Oregon Judicial Department (OJD) is providing this report on prospective changes to planned capital improvement projects for the 2015-17 biennium that are funded through the State Court Facility and Security Account (SCFSA).

During the 2015 Legislative Session, OJD submitted Policy Option Package #314 requesting funding to continue the program of "life and safety" type capital improvement projects in county courthouses. Subsequently, the legislature funded a total of \$3,500,000 for capital improvement projects for the 2015-17 biennium for seven county courthouse buildings.

One of the projects, for the Malheur County Courthouse, came in under budget by approximately \$500,000, freeing up funding to finance an additional priority project in the 2015-17 biennium, in addition to funds from a couple of projects that were not feasible yet. OJD proposes to use these remaining 2015-17 funds toward the highest priority project proposed for the 2017-19 biennium to the legislature in Policy Option Package #412, which is replacing the fresh water plumbing system in the Douglas County Courthouse. The courthouse hot water pipes have become unusable and have been turned off for the last ten years. Additionally, the cold water pipes are nearing the end of their life. This funding will allow a project to replace this critical and essential system to be underway before June 30, 2017.

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Action Requested

The Oregon Judicial Department requests acknowledgment of this report.

Legislation Affected

None.

Sincerely,

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