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Measure: SB 65 - A

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## **Measure Description:**

Authorizes Psychiatric Security Review Board to establish restorative justice program.

# **Government Unit(s) Affected:**

Oregon Health Authority (OHA), Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD)

### **Analysis:**

Senate Bill 65 permits the Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB) to develop a restorative justice program to assist the recovery of crime victims when a person is found guilty or responsible except for insanity. The bill allows PSRB to contract with a nonprofit organization for administration of this program. In addition, under current law, the court may place persons found guilty except for insanity (GEI) under the jurisdiction of either the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) or PSRB, depending on the offense for which they were found GEI. This measure directs the court to place all persons found GEI under the jurisdiction of PSRB. This transfer would occur by July 1, 2018. The bill contains an emergency clause and takes effect immediately upon passage.

## Oregon Health Authority (OHA)

	2017-19 Biennium	2019-21 Biennium
Personal Services	(139,830)	(279,658)
Special Payments	(261,583)	(523,172)
Total General Fund	(401,413)	(802,830)
Positions	0	(2)
FTE	(1.00)	(2.00)

The agency having jurisdiction over persons found GEI is responsible for monitoring these individuals and holding hearings to determine conditional release or discharge from the state hospital or secure intensive community inpatient facility. The amounts in the table above reflects the Oregon Health Authority's estimate of the resources the agency dedicates to serving persons found GEI. The reduction includes hearing expenses as well as personal services and related services and supplies for two paralegal positions responsible for preparing and coordinating hearings.

## Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB)

The fiscal impact of this bill on PSRB is anticipated to be minimal. Although the number of patients under the jurisdiction of PSRB and the number of hearings PSRB conducts is anticipated to increase, PSRB reports that the agency will be able to handle this increase with existing staff and resources. This assumption is based on the fact that currently there are 70 patients that would be transfer to PSRB. In addition, the bill authorizes PSRB to set up a restorative justice program. This program will be administered by a local university as part of the training and research component for its graduate and post-doctorate psychology fellows.

## Oregon Judicial Department (OJD)

This bill is anticipated to have minimal fiscal impact on OJD. The agency does not expect the change in agency jurisdiction to affect the amount of judge and court staff time spent on these cases.

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