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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Authorizes Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to [impose fees on] collect fees from certain public bodies for use of certain [electronic] state court technology services. [Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.]

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to state court technology fees; creating new provisions; amending ORS 1.012; and declaring

3 an emergency.

4 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

5 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) Notwithstanding ORS 21.259, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may

6 collect a fee for the use of state court technology services:

7 (a) From a public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, based on the number of case-initiating

documents filed by the public body in the circuit court of the county in which the public body
is located; and

- 10 (b) From a county, based on the number of felony and misdemeanor cases filed in the 11 circuit court of the county.
- 12 (2) The Chief Justice may not collect a fee from an agency of state government, as de-13 fined in ORS 174.111, under this section.

(3) Fees collected under this section shall be deposited in the State Court Technology
 Fund established in ORS 1.012.

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SECTION 2. ORS 1.012 is amended to read:

17 1.012. (1) The State Court Technology Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and 18 distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the State Court Technology Fund shall be 19 credited to the fund.

(2) All fees received on and after July 1, 2013, for the use of the Oregon Judicial Case Information Network under ORS 1.002 (6) and for the use of other state court electronic applications and systems shall be deposited into the fund.

(3) The fund consists of the moneys deposited into the fund under subsection (2) of this section,
the moneys deposited into the fund under ORS 21.006 and section 1 of this 2019 Act and the
moneys allocated to the fund under ORS 137.300.

26 (4) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Judicial Department for the pur-

1 poses of:

2 (a) Developing, maintaining and supporting state court electronic applications, services and

3 systems and for providing access to and use of those applications, services and systems; and

4 (b) Providing electronic service and filing services.

5 <u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) Section 1 of this 2019 Act and the amendments to ORS 1.012 by section 6 2 of this 2019 Act become operative on October 1, 2019.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court may take any action before the operative date
specified in subsection (1) of this section to enable the Chief Justice to exercise, on and after
the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and
powers conferred on the Chief Justice by section 1 of this 2019 Act and the amendments to
ORS 1.012 by section 2 of this 2019 Act.

12 <u>SECTION 4.</u> This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 13 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect 14 on its passage.

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