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Measure: HB 4141

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Measure Description:

Appropriates money to Oregon Department of Administrative Services for deposit in Court Appointed Special Advocate Fund and distribution to CASA Volunteer Programs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure will require budgetary action - See analysis.

Analysis:

HB 4141 appropriates \$2,616,255 General Fund to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) for the 2019-21 biennium for deposit into the Court Appointed Special Advocate Fund to be distributed to CASA Volunteer programs.

HB 2600 (2017) established the Court Appointed Special Advocate Fund and transferred oversight of CASA Volunteer Program from the Housing and Community Services Department to the Department of Administrative Services. The Legislature directed DAS to work with the Oregon CASA Network (OCN) in developing a transition plan to support the Oregon CASA Network's administration of the 23 independent nonprofit local CASA programs with OCN providing full support and oversight of local CASA programs by no later than June 30, 2023.

Meanwhile, DAS is required to continue to provide limited financial management and limited oversight capacity as needed and requested by the OCN through June 30, 2023. DAS anticipates that entire \$2,616,255 General Fund appropriation, will be paid out of the General Fund into Other Funds, where it will be used to distribute special payments to local county CASA programs.

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