

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **Item 22: Department of Justice High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Program Withdrawal**

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To: Ways and Means Full Committee  
From: Public Safety Subcommittee  
Carrier: Representative Sollman

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The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends that the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means recommend including a decrease of \$940,753 in the Other Funds expenditure limitation, an increase of \$1,157,838 General Fund, and authorizing establishment of one permanent full-time position (0.58 FTE), for the Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Division, in a budget reconciliation bill during the 2022 legislative session to support fund shifting five permanent full-time positions from Other Funds to General Fund and to increase statewide criminal analytical support.

The Division receives funding from the federal High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program whose purpose is to support law enforcement agencies operating in drug-trafficking regions, which includes 12 counties in Oregon and three in Idaho.

DOJ's request is to fund shift five permanent full-time positions from the HIDTA program to General Fund and then redeploy the positions into the Analytical and Criminal and Investigative Support Section, which is responsible for the statewide gathering, analysis, and sharing of criminal information with law enforcement agencies. DOJ would continue to participate in the HIDTA program, but no longer operate the Investigative Support Center for the program.

One Principal Executive Manager E position would be added to manage the Oregon Watch Center, the Titan Fusion Center, and the Oregon Critical Infrastructure Program.

The 2023-25 biennial cost of this request would be \$2 million General Fund and one position.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.