

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

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Legislative Fiscal Office

Measure: SB 736 - 2

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Measure Description:

Establishes Task Force on Restorative Justice.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Legislative Assembly, Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Public Defense Services Commission (PDSC), Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), Department of Education (ODE), Criminal Justice Commission (CJC), School Districts,

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

Costs related to the measure are anticipated to be minimal - See explanatory analysis.

Analysis:

SB 736 with the -2 amendment establishes the 24-member Task Force on Restorative Justice charged with making recommendations to reduce: (1) exclusionary discipline in schools; (2) juvenile incarceration; and (3) racial disparities in both the education and juvenile justice systems. The task force is required to submit a report to an interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by September 15, 2022. The task force sunsets on December 31, 2022.

Legislative Assembly

The bill specifies that non-legislative members of the task force serve as volunteers and are not entitled to compensation and reimbursement. However, two members of the task force will be legislative members who are entitled to per diem and travel reimbursement. The estimated per diem and travel reimbursement cost for the two legislative members to participate on the task force from October 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 is \$1,900. This amount includes the Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) tax and assumes per diem remains at \$151 and the average mileage of 90 miles at the current rate of \$0.56 per mile. Although the 2021-23 Legislative Assembly budget contains funds allocated for interim committee and task force, if the work required by this task force, or if the cumulative enactment of other legislation with interim committees and task forces exceeds expenditure levels beyond those assumed in the 2021-23 budget, additional General Fund resources may be required. The task force would not incur additional costs to the Legislative Assembly budget if the meetings are held at the Capitol building during Legislative Session, Task force or Legislative Days.

Legislative Policy and Research Office (LPRO)

The bill requires LPRO to provide staff support to the task force. The 2021-23 Legislative Branch budget should contain funds allocated for LPRO support of interim committees and task forces.

Oregon Youth Authority (OYA), Department of Education (ODE), Oregon Judicial Department (OJD), Criminal Justice Commission (CJC), Public Defense Services Commission (PDSC), School Districts

This bill is anticipated to have minimal impact on OYA, ODE, OJD, CJC, PDSC, and school districts. The bill requires representatives from each of these entities to serve as a member on the task force. This fiscal analysis assumes that these entities will reprioritize duties to attend meetings and use existing staff and resources to furnish the task force with existing available data, information, advice, and other support.