SB 200 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation

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Meeting Dates: 2/4, 4/12

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the district attorney in each county to develop and adopt written policies regarding cases involving a guilty except for insanity defense. Requires policies be available to the public by December 1, 2022.

FISCAL: Has minimal fiscal impact

REVENUE: No revenue impact

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Stipulated fact trials
- Options for the Psychiatric Review Board (PSRB)
- Encouraging practice changes in district attorney offices related to PSRB jurisdiction

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Requires each county's district attorney to develop and adopt written policies regarding guilty except for insanity dispositions.

BACKGROUND:

Each county in Oregon has an elected district attorney. Currently, district attorneys are required to have written policies on pretrial discovery, prosecutorial ethics, confidentiality, the use of certified law students, charging decisions for various types of crimes, the decision about whether to present evidence concerning seeking the death penalty, plea offers, civil compromise, requests for the imposition of fine and fees, and various other subjects.

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