A-Bill for an Act
Relating to the financial administration of the Judicial Department; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. There are appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the following amounts, for the following purposes:

1. Judicial compensation............... $ 95,761,823
2. Operations................................. $390,601,871
3. Mandated payments .................. $ 17,819,193
4. State court technology
   systems ..................................... $ 8,105,672
5. Debt service .............................. $ 31,438,952
6. Third-party debt
   collection................................... $ 15,970,809

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the following amounts are established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, as the maximum limits for payment of expenses from fees, moneys or other revenues, including Miscellaneous Receipts and including reimbursements from federal service agreements, but excluding lottery funds and federal funds not described in this section, collected or received by the Judicial Department for the following purposes:

1. Operations................................. $ 20,626,120
2. Mandated payments .................. $ 711,771
3. State Court Facilities and
   Security Account ...................... $ 8,155,362

Note: For budget, see 2021-2023 Biennial Budget
NOTE: Matter in boldfaced type in an amended section is new; matter [italic and bracketed] is existing law to be omitted.
New sections are in boldfaced type.

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(4) State Court Technology Fund... $ 17,987,058

SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any other law limiting expenditures, the amount of $1,476,446 is established for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, as the maximum limit for payment of expenses from federal funds other than those described in section 2 of this 2021 Act collected or received by the Judicial Department.

SECTION 4. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of $334,221 for payment of expenses of the Oregon Law Commission.

SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of $53,934 for payment of expenses of the Council on Court Procedures.

SECTION 6. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of $7,492,047 for the purpose of providing conciliation and mediation services in circuit courts.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute the moneys appropriated under this section to the counties of this state to fund conciliation and mediation services in circuit courts. The Chief Justice shall consult with the presiding judges of the circuit courts before making the distributions.

SECTION 7. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of $7,492,047 for the purpose of operating law libraries or providing law library services.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute the moneys appropriated under this section to the counties of this state based on revenues received from filing fees collected during the biennium ending June 30, 2021, in civil actions commenced in the circuit court for the county.

SECTION 8. (1) In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the Judicial Department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, out of the General Fund, the amount of $12,784,050 for the purpose of funding the Legal Services Program described in ORS 9.572.

(2) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall distribute all moneys appropriated under this section to the Oregon State Bar in eight quarterly installments of equal amount.

SECTION 9. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation made to the Judicial Department by section 1 (2), chapter 691, Oregon Laws 2019, for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, for operations, is decreased by $750,000.

SECTION 10. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the General Fund appropriation made to the Judicial Department by section 1 (6), chapter 691, Oregon Laws 2019, for the biennium ending June 30, 2021, for third-party debt collection, is increased by $750,000.

SECTION 11. This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect July 1, 2021.