

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 5533

Department of Public Safety Standards and Training

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

SB 5533 is the budget bill for the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

The Public Safety Subcommittee approved a total funds budget of \$83.3 million and 186 positions, totaling 184.75 FTE, for the 2023-25 biennium. The General Fund budget totals \$8.8 million and is entirely for debt service and the \$7.6 million in Federal Funds is for Oregon's participation in the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area program. The remaining \$66.9 million is Other Funds, with \$55.7 million of that funding through the Criminal Fines Account.

To address the current backlog and the forecasted demand for the Basic Police Course, the budget includes an increase in the number of standard 40-student classes offered in the biennium from 16 to 20 and provides funding and position authority to establish a pilot program of three 60-person Basic Police Course classes to run concurrently with the standard classes. In addition, funding is provided for the costs of the State Police to operate three of its own classes, bringing the total number of anticipated students to attend the Basic Police Course to 1,100 in 2023-25. A budget note is included directing the Department to report on a safety plan for the pilot program, a status report once the program is operating, and then a final report after the three classes have completed.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends SB 5533 be amended by the –1 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.