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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

[Directs Public Defense Services Commission to study ways to improve provision of public defense services within this state, and to provide results of study to interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2024.]

Establishes Oregon Public Defense Commission within judicial branch. Specifies appointment process for and qualification of commission members and duties of executive director and commission. Abolishes Public Defense Services Commission and transfers duties, functions and powers of commission to Oregon Public Defense Commission.

Transfers Oregon Public Defense Commission to executive branch effective January 3, 2025. Directs Oregon Department of Administrative Services to issue state public defense population forecasts.

Directs Oregon Public Defense Commission to conduct survey and economic analysis to calculate minimum hourly pay for appointed counsel who are not employed by commission. Specifies required percentage of trial-level appointed counsel who must be employees of commission by January 1, 2031, and January 1, 2035. Effective July 1, 2025, directs commission to establish panel of qualified counsel who may be directly assigned to cases. Specifies types of contracts commission may enter into for purposes of providing public defense services.

Directs Oregon Public Defense Commission to provide, to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to judiciary, no later than May 15, 2024, comprehensive report on plan for providing public defense services. Directs commission to provide updated report on December 1, 2025, and biennially thereafter until January 2, 2036.

[Sunsets January 2, 2025.]

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to public defense; creating new provisions; amending ORS 1.009, 8.105, 34.355, 40.225,
3 42.125, 45.275, 45.285, 84.064, 125.035, 125.080, 135.050, 135.055, 136.603, 137.020, 138.310, 138.480,
4 138.500, 138.590, 144.335, 144.337, 147.537, 147.560, 151.211, 151.213, 151.216, 151.219, 151.221,
5 151.225, 151.485, 151.487, 151.493, 151.505, 161.309, 161.346, 161.348, 161.365, 161.665, 171.133,
6 181A.010, 190.490, 244.050, 283.110, 291.002, 291.011, 291.030, 291.045, 291.227, 293.300, 293.590,
7 293.875, 419A.200, 419A.211, 419A.252, 419A.255, 419B.112, 419B.195, 419B.198, 419B.237,
8 419B.532, 419B.647, 419C.200, 419C.380, 419C.535, 426.135, 426.250, 427.265, 427.295 and 433.466;
9 and declaring an emergency.

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

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OREGON PUBLIC DEFENSE COMMISSION (Appointment and Duties)

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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.

1 **SECTION 1.** ORS 151.211 is amended to read:

2 151.211. For purposes of ORS 151.211 to 151.221:

3 [(1) “Bar member” means an individual who is an active member of the Oregon State Bar.]

4 [(2)] (1) “Chief Justice” means the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

5 [(3)] (2) “Commission” means the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense**
6 **Commission.**

7 [(4) “Director” means the public defense services executive director appointed under ORS
8 151.216.]

9 [(5) “Office of public defense services” means the office established by the commission under the
10 director to handle the cases assigned and to carry out the administrative policies and procedures for
11 the public defense system.]

12 **SECTION 2.** ORS 151.213 is amended to read:

13 151.213. (1) The [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** is
14 established in the judicial branch of state government. Except for the appointment or removal of
15 commission members, the commission and employees of the commission are not subject to the exer-
16 cise of administrative authority and supervision by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court as the
17 administrative head of the Judicial Department.

18 (2)(a) [The commission consists of] Nine **voting members and four nonvoting members shall**
19 **be appointed to the commission** by order of the Chief Justice[. In addition to the nine appointed
20 members, the Chief Justice serves as a nonvoting, ex officio member. The Chief Justice shall appoint
21 at least three persons who are not bar members, at least one person who was formerly engaged in the
22 provision of public defense services and at least one person who has been formerly represented by a
23 public defense provider in this state. All members must have a demonstrated record of commitment to
24 public defense. Except for the Chief Justice or a senior judge under ORS 1.300, a member may not
25 serve concurrently as a judge, a prosecuting attorney or an employee of a law enforcement agency. A
26 person who is primarily engaged in providing public defense services may not serve as a member of
27 the commission.] **as follows:**

28 **(A) The Chief Justice shall appoint:**

29 (i) **One voting member who is a retired judge, or who is serving as a senior judge under**
30 **ORS 1.300, with criminal law experience.**

31 (ii) **Two additional voting members, one of whom has experience as a public defense**
32 **provider in criminal or juvenile delinquency cases.**

33 **(B) The Chief Justice shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the Governor:**

34 (i) **One voting member who has been represented by a public defense provider.**

35 (ii) **Two additional voting members, one of whom has experience as a public defense**
36 **provider in criminal or juvenile delinquency cases.**

37 (iii) **Two nonvoting members who are currently employed as public defense providers in**
38 **this state, one of whom is from an urban area and one of whom is from a rural area.**

39 **(C) The Chief Justice shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the President**
40 **of the Senate:**

41 (i) **One voting member who is a current dean or faculty member of an Oregon law school.**

42 (ii) **One nonvoting member who is a member of the Senate at the time of appointment.**

43 **(D) The Chief Justice shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the Speaker**
44 **of the House of Representatives:**

45 (i) **One voting member who has expertise in juvenile law and criminal law, or who is a**

1 juvenile justice advocate.

2 (ii) One nonvoting member who is a member of the House of Representatives at the time
3 of appointment.

4 (E) The Chief Justice shall appoint one voting member from among persons jointly re-
5 commended by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

6 (b) When recommending and appointing members of the commission, the Chief Justice,
7 Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives shall:

8 (A) Consider input from individuals and organizations with an interest in the delivery of
9 public defense services.

10 (B) Consider geographic, racial, ethnic and gender diversity.

11 (C) Ensure that members appointed to the commission have significant experience with
12 issues related to public defense or in the case types subject to representation by public de-
13 fense providers.

14 (D) Ensure that members appointed to the commission have demonstrated a strong
15 commitment to quality public defense representation.

16 (c) The following persons may not be appointed to and may not serve as members of the
17 commission:

18 (A) A prosecuting attorney.

19 (B) A judge, magistrate or other person who performs judicial functions, other than a
20 senior judge under ORS 1.300.

21 (C) An employee of a law enforcement agency.

22 (d) A person who is primarily engaged in providing public defense services and who has
23 a financial interest in the delivery of public defense services at the state level may not serve
24 as a voting member of the commission.

25 (3) The term of a member is four years beginning on the effective date of the order of the Chief
26 Justice appointing the member. A member is eligible for reappointment if qualified for membership
27 at the time of reappointment, **but may serve no more than two consecutive four-year terms.**
28 *[A member may be removed from the commission by order of the Chief Justice.]* **The Chief Justice**
29 **may remove any member of the commission at any time for cause.** If a vacancy occurs for any
30 cause before the expiration of the term of a member, the Chief Justice shall make an appointment
31 **to fill the vacancy, in the same manner as an appointment to a full term,** to become imme-
32 diately effective for the unexpired term. **If the Chief Justice has not filled a vacancy within 45**
33 **days after the vacancy occurs, the remaining voting members of the commission shall, by a**
34 **majority vote, select a member to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term.**

35 (4) A chairperson and a vice chairperson shall be *[appointed by order of the Chief Justice]*
36 **elected by the voting members of the commission** every two years with such functions as the
37 commission may determine. A member is eligible for *[reappointment]* **reelection** as chairperson or
38 vice chairperson.

39 (5) A majority of the voting members constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

40 (6) **The members of the commission shall:**

41 (a) **Appoint, by a two-thirds vote of the voting members, an executive director for a term**
42 **of office of four years. The term may be terminated for cause by a majority vote of the**
43 **members of the commission after notice and a hearing. When the term of an executive di-**
44 **rector ends without termination, the members of the commission may reappoint the person**
45 **currently in the position by a majority vote.**

1 (b) Review and approve the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines required by
2 ORS 151.216 before those policies, procedures, standards and guidelines may take effect.

3 (c) Review and approve the budget of the commission before submission to the Legisla-
4 tive Assembly.

5 (d) Meet as needed to carry out the duties described in this subsection.

6 (7) The members of the commission may not:

7 (a) Make any decision regarding the handling of any individual case;

8 (b) Have access to any case file; or

9 (c) Interfere with the executive director or any member of the staff of the executive di-
10 rector in carrying out professional duties involving the legal representation of public defense
11 clients.

12 [(6)] (8) A member of the commission is [*not*] entitled to compensation for services as a member,
13 [*but is entitled*] and to expenses, as provided in ORS 292.495 [(2)].

14 **SECTION 3.** ORS 151.216 is amended to read:

15 151.216. (1) The [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**
16 shall:

17 (a) Establish and maintain a public defense system that ensures the provision of public defense
18 services consistent with the Oregon Constitution, the United States Constitution and Oregon and
19 national standards of justice.

20 [(b) *Establish an office of public defense services and appoint a public defense services executive*
21 *director who serves at the pleasure of the commission.*]

22 [(c)] (b) Adopt policies for [*contracting for*] public defense providers [*not employed by the office*
23 *of public defense services*] that:

24 (A) Ensure compensation, resources and caseloads are in accordance with national and regional
25 best practices; and

26 (B) [*Promote policies*] **Provide** for public defense provider compensation and resources that are
27 comparable to prosecution compensation and resources[;].

28 [(C) *Ensure funding and resources to support required data collection and training requirements;*
29 *and*]

30 [(D) *Recognize the need to consider overhead costs that account for the cost of living and business*
31 *cost differences in each county or jurisdiction, including but not limited to rent, professional member-*
32 *ship dues, malpractice insurance and other insurance and other reasonable and usual operating*
33 *costs.*]

34 [(d) *Establish operational and contracting systems that allow for oversight, ensure transparency*
35 *and stakeholder engagement and promote equity, inclusion and culturally specific representation.*]

36 [(e) *Review the caseload policies described in paragraph (c)(A) of this subsection annually, and*
37 *revise the policies as necessary and at least every four years.*]

38 [(f) *Adopt a statewide workload plan, based on the caseload policies described in paragraph (c)(A)*
39 *of this subsection, that takes into account the needs of each county or jurisdiction, practice structure*
40 *and type of practice overseen by the office of public defense services.*]

41 [(g)] (c) Submit the budget of the commission [*and the office of public defense services*] to the
42 Legislative Assembly after the budget is submitted to the commission by the **executive** director and
43 approved by the **voting members of the** commission. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and
44 the chairperson of the commission shall present the budget to the Legislative Assembly.

45 [(h) *Review and approve any public defense services contract negotiated by the director before the*

1 *contract can become effective.]*

2 [(i)] **(d)** Adopt a compensation plan, classification system and [personnel] **affirmative action**
3 plan for the [office of public defense services] **commission** that are commensurate with other state
4 agencies.

5 [(j)] **(e)** Adopt policies, procedures, standards and guidelines regarding:

6 (A) The determination of financial eligibility of persons entitled to be represented by appointed
7 counsel at state expense;

8 (B) The appointment of counsel, including the appointment of counsel at state expense regard-
9 less of financial eligibility in juvenile delinquency matters;

10 (C) The fair compensation of counsel appointed to represent a person financially eligible for
11 appointed counsel at state expense;

12 (D) Appointed counsel compensation disputes;

13 (E) [Any other] **The** costs associated with the representation of a person by appointed counsel
14 in the state courts that are required to be paid by the state [under ORS 34.355, 135.055, 138.500,
15 138.590, 161.346, 161.348, 161.365, 419A.211, 419B.201, 419B.208, 419B.518, 419B.908, 419C.206,
16 419C.209, 419C.408, 419C.535, 426.100, 426.135, 426.250, 426.307, 427.265, 427.295, 436.265 or 436.315
17 or any other provision of law that expressly provides for payment of such compensation, costs or ex-
18 penses by the commission];

19 [(F) Professional qualifications for counsel appointed to represent public defense clients;]

20 [(G) Performance for legal representation;]

21 [(H) The contracting of public defense services;]

22 [(I) Contracting with expert witnesses to allow contracting with out-of-state expert witnesses only
23 if in-state expert witnesses are not available or are more expensive than out-of-state expert witnesses;
24 and]

25 **(F) The qualifications required for senior staff of the commission; and**

26 **(G) The types of fees and expenses subject to a preauthorization requirement.**

27 [(J) Any other matters necessary to carry out the duties of the commission.]

28 [(k) Establish a peer review system for the approval of nonroutine fees and expenses incurred in
29 cases involving aggravated murder and the crimes listed in ORS 137.700 and 137.707. The review shall
30 be conducted by a panel of attorneys who practice in the area of criminal defense.]

31 [(L) Establish a complaint process that allows district attorneys, criminal defense counsel and the
32 public to file complaints concerning the payment from public funds of nonroutine fees and expenses
33 incurred in cases.]

34 [(m)] **(f)** Reimburse the State Court Administrator from funds deposited in the Public Defense
35 Services Account established by ORS 151.225 for the costs of personnel and other costs associated
36 with location of eligibility verification and screening personnel pursuant to ORS 151.489 by the State
37 Court Administrator.

38 **(g) Establish minimum standards for the delivery of public defense services that provide**
39 **for the effective assistance of counsel to eligible persons throughout this state. The mini-**
40 **imum standards must be designed to ensure that public defense services meet all require-**
41 **ments for the effective assistance of counsel under statute and the Oregon and United States**
42 **Constitutions.**

43 **(h) Establish and implement policies, procedures, standards and guidelines necessary to**
44 **guarantee the right of eligible persons to the assistance of counsel as required by statute**
45 **and by the Oregon and United States Constitutions.**

1 (i) Develop and oversee the implementation, enforcement and modification of minimum
2 policies, procedures, standards and guidelines to ensure that public defense providers are
3 providing effective assistance of counsel consistently to all eligible persons in this state as
4 required by statute and the Oregon and United States Constitutions. The policies, proce-
5 dures, standards and guidelines described in this paragraph apply to employees of the com-
6 mission and to any entity that contracts with the commission to provide public defense
7 services in this state.

8 (j) Set minimum standards by which appointed counsel are trained and supervised.

9 (k) Establish procedures for the mandatory collection of data concerning the operation
10 of the commission and all public defense providers.

11 (L) Enter into contracts to bring the delivery of public defense services into compliance
12 with the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines described in this subsection.

13 (m) At least once every two years, report to the interim committees of the Legislative
14 Assembly related to the judiciary, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and to the Gover-
15 nor and Chief Justice, concerning compliance metrics for the minimum standards described
16 in this subsection and recommendations for legislative changes.

17 (n) Develop standard operating expectations for persons providing public defense ser-
18 vices.

19 (o) In consultation with the Judicial Department, ensure the existence of policies that
20 create a standardized process for determining and verifying financial eligibility for appointed
21 counsel under ORS 151.485.

22 (p) Centralize services and resources, including training, so that the services and re-
23 sources can be utilized by both commission employees and public service providers who
24 contract with the commission.

25 (q) Establish any other policies, procedures, standards and guidelines for the conduct of
26 the commission's affairs and promulgate policies necessary to carry out all powers and du-
27 ties of the commission.

28 (2) When establishing the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines de-
29 scribed in this section, the commission shall adhere to the following principles:

30 (a) Appointed counsel shall be provided sufficient time and a space where attorney-client
31 confidentiality is safeguarded for meetings with clients.

32 (b) The workload of appointed counsel must be controlled to permit effective represen-
33 tation. Economic disincentives or incentives that impair the ability of appointed counsel to
34 provide effective assistance of counsel must be avoided. The commission may develop work-
35 load controls to enhance appointed counsel's ability to provide effective representation.

36 (c) The ability, training and experience of appointed counsel must match the nature and
37 complexity of the case to which the counsel is appointed.

38 (d) The same appointed counsel shall continuously represent a client throughout the
39 pendency of the case and shall appear at every court appearance other than ministerial
40 hearings.

41 (e) The commission shall establish continuing legal education requirements relevant to
42 the practice of public defense or juvenile representation for public defense providers who are
43 employed by or contract with the commission.

44 (f) The commission and public defense providers shall systematically review appointed
45 counsel for efficiency and for effective representation according to commission standards.

1 **(3) The commission shall be organized in a manner for the effective delivery of public**
2 **defense services as prescribed by the policies and procedures created pursuant to statute to**
3 **financially eligible persons and consistent with the budgetary structure established for the**
4 **commission by the Legislative Assembly.**

5 **(4) The commission shall hire attorneys to serve as appointed counsel at the trial level**
6 **in Oregon circuit courts, and may establish a trial division within the commission consisting**
7 **of attorneys employed by the commission who are trial-level public defense providers.**

8 **(5) The policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission must**
9 **be made available in an accessible manner to the public on the commission's Internet**
10 **website.**

11 [(2)] **(6) Policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission supersede any**
12 **conflicting rules, policies or procedures of the Public Defender Committee, State Court Administra-**
13 **tor, circuit courts, the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court and the Psychiatric Security Review**
14 **Board related to the exercise of the commission's administrative responsibilities under this section**
15 **and transferred duties, functions and powers as they occur.**

16 [(3)] **(7) The commission may accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source, whether**
17 **public or private. However, the commission may not accept a gift, grant or contribution if accept-**
18 **ance would create a conflict of interest. Moneys accepted under this subsection shall be deposited**
19 **in the Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225 and expended for the purposes**
20 **for which given or granted.**

21 [(4) *The commission may not:*]

22 [(a) *Make any decision regarding the handling of any individual case;*]

23 [(b) *Have access to any case file; or*]

24 [(c) *Interfere with the director or any member of the staff of the director in carrying out profes-*
25 *sional duties involving the legal representation of public defense clients.*]

26 **SECTION 4.** ORS 151.219 is amended to read:

27 151.219. (1) The [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
28 **Commission** shall:

29 **(a) Appoint a deputy director of the commission who serves at the pleasure of the execu-**
30 **utive director.**

31 **(b) Hire necessary staff for the commission.**

32 [(a)] **(c) Recommend to the [*Public Defense Services*] commission how to establish and maintain,**
33 **in a cost-effective manner, the delivery of legal services to persons entitled to, and, where applica-**
34 **ble, financially eligible for, appointed counsel at state expense under Oregon statutes, the Oregon**
35 **Constitution, the United States Constitution and consistent with Oregon and national standards of**
36 **justice.**

37 [(b)] **(d) Implement and ensure compliance with contracts, policies, procedures, standards and**
38 **guidelines adopted by the commission or required by statute.**

39 [(c)] **(e) Prepare and submit to the commission for its approval the biennial budget of the com-**
40 **mission [*and the office of public defense services*].**

41 [(d)] **(f) Negotiate contracts, as appropriate, for providing legal services to persons eligible for**
42 **appointed counsel at state expense. [*No contract so negotiated is binding or enforceable until the***
43 ***contract has been reviewed and approved by the commission as provided in ORS 151.216.*]**

44 [(e)] **(g) Employ personnel or contract for services as necessary to carry out the responsibilities**
45 **of the executive director and the [*office of public defense services*] commission.**

1 [(f)] **(h)** Supervise the personnel, operation and activities of the [office of public defense
2 services] **commission**.

3 [(g)] **(i)** Provide services, facilities and materials necessary for the performance of the duties,
4 functions and powers of the [Public Defense Services] commission.

5 [(h)] **(j)** Pay the expenses of the commission [and the office of public defense services].

6 [(i)] **(k)** Prepare and submit to the **members of the** commission an annual report of the activ-
7 ities of the [office of public defense services] **commission**.

8 [(j) Prepare and submit to the Legislative Assembly a biennial report on the activities of the office
9 of public defense services.]

10 [(k)] **(L)** Provide for legal representation, advice and consultation for the commission, its mem-
11 bers, the **executive** director and staff of the [office of public defense services] **commission** who re-
12 quire such services or who are named as defendants in lawsuits arising from their duties, functions
13 and responsibilities. If requested by the **executive** director, the Attorney General may also provide
14 for legal representation, advice and consultation for the commission, its members, the **executive**
15 director and staff of the [office of public defense services] **commission** in litigation.

16 **(m) Assist the commission in developing standard operating expectations for persons**
17 **providing public defense services. The executive director may establish a standards advisory**
18 **group to assist in developing the expectations.**

19 (2) The **executive** director may designate persons as representatives of the **executive** director
20 for the purposes of determining and paying bills submitted to the [office of public defense services]
21 **commission** and determining preauthorization for incurring fees and expenses under ORS 135.055.

22 **SECTION 5.** ORS 151.221 is amended to read:

23 151.221. Officers and employees of the [office of public defense services, who are appointed under
24 a personnel plan adopted by the Public Defense Services Commission,] **Oregon Public Defense**
25 **Commission** are state officers or employees in the exempt service and are not subject to ORS
26 chapter 240.

27 **SECTION 6.** ORS 151.225 is amended to read:

28 151.225. (1) The Public Defense Services Account is established in the State Treasury, separate
29 and distinct from the General Fund. The Public Defense Services Account is continuously appropri-
30 ated to the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** for:

31 (a) Administration and support of the public defense system;

32 (b) Reimbursement of the State Court Administrator under ORS 151.216 [(1)(m)] **(1)(f)**; and

33 (c) Legal representation of parents and children involved in foster care for which matching
34 funds under 45 C.F.R. 1356.60(c) may be used.

35 (2) The following moneys shall be deposited in the Public Defense Services Account:

36 (a) Moneys received by the commission from the State Court Administrator under ORS 151.216
37 [(1)(m)] **(1)(f)**;

38 (b) Moneys received by the Judicial Department under ORS 135.050 (8), 151.487 (1), 419A.211 or
39 419B.198 (1);

40 (c) Federal matching funds received under 45 C.F.R. 1356.60(c); and

41 (d) Miscellaneous revenues and receipts of the commission.

42 (3) All gifts, grants or contributions accepted by the commission under ORS 151.216 shall be
43 deposited in a separate subaccount created in the Public Defense Services Account to be used by
44 the commission for the purpose for which the gift, grant or contribution was given or granted.

45 **SECTION 7.** ORS 135.055 is amended to read:

1 135.055. (1) Counsel appointed pursuant to ORS 135.045 or 135.050 shall be paid fair compen-
2 sation for representation in the case:

3 (a) By the county, subject to the approval of the governing body of the county, in a proceeding
4 in a county or justice court.

5 (b) By the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commis-**
6 **sion** from funds available for the purpose, in a proceeding in a circuit court.

7 (2) Except for counsel appointed pursuant to contracts or counsel employed by the [*public de-*
8 *fense services executive director*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**, compensation payable to
9 appointed counsel under subsection (1) of this section:

10 (a) In a proceeding in a county or justice court may not be less than \$30 per hour.

11 (b) In a proceeding in a circuit court is subject to the applicable compensation established under
12 ORS 151.216.

13 (3)(a) A person determined to be eligible for appointed counsel is entitled to necessary and
14 reasonable fees and expenses for investigation, preparation and presentation of the case for trial,
15 negotiation and sentencing. The person or the counsel for the person shall upon written request
16 secure preauthorization to incur fees and expenses that [*are not routine to representation but*] are
17 necessary and reasonable in the investigation, preparation and presentation of the case **and that**
18 **require preauthorization under a policy of the Oregon Public Defense Commission**, including
19 but not limited to [*nonroutine*] travel, photocopying or other reproduction of [*nonroutine*] documents,
20 necessary costs associated with obtaining the attendance of witnesses for the defense, investigator
21 fees and expenses, expert witness fees and expenses and fees for interpreters and assistive commu-
22 nication devices necessary for the purpose of communication between counsel and a client or wit-
23 ness in the case. Preauthorization to incur a fee or expense does not guarantee that a fee or
24 expense incurred pursuant to the preauthorization will be determined to be necessary or reasonable
25 when the fee or expense is submitted for payment.

26 (b) In a county or justice court, the request must be in the form of a motion to the court. The
27 motion must be accompanied by a supporting affidavit that sets out in detail the purpose of the re-
28 quested expenditure, the name of the service provider or other recipient of the funds, the dollar
29 amount of the requested expenditure that may not be exceeded without additional authorization and
30 the date or dates during which the service will be rendered or events will occur for which the ex-
31 penditure is requested.

32 (c) In a circuit court, the request must be in the form and contain the information that is re-
33 quired by the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Com-*
34 *mission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**. If the [*public defense services*] executive director **of**
35 **the commission** denies a request for preauthorization to incur [*nonroutine*] fees and expenses
36 **subject to a preauthorization requirement**, the person making the request may appeal the deci-
37 sion to the presiding judge of the circuit court. The presiding judge has final authority to preau-
38 thorize incurring [*nonroutine*] fees and expenses under this paragraph.

39 (d) Entitlement under subsection (7) of this section to payment for fees and expenses in circuit
40 court is subject to the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted under ORS 151.216.
41 Entitlement to payment of [*nonroutine*] fees and expenses **subject to a preauthorization require-**
42 **ment** is dependent upon obtaining preauthorization from the court, if the case is in county or justice
43 court, or from the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Com-**
44 **mission**, if the case is in circuit court, except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c) of this sub-
45 section and in the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted under ORS 151.216. Fees

1 and expenses shall be paid:

2 (A) By the county, in respect to a proceeding in a county or justice court.

3 (B) By the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the commission** from funds available
4 for the purpose, in respect to a proceeding in a circuit court.

5 (C) By the city, in respect to a proceeding in municipal court.

6 (4) Upon completion of all services by the counsel of a person determined to be eligible for ap-
7 pointed counsel, the counsel shall submit a statement of all necessary and reasonable fees and ex-
8 penses of investigation, preparation and presentation and, if counsel was appointed by the court, a
9 statement of all necessary and reasonable fees and expenses for legal representation, supported by
10 appropriate receipts or vouchers and certified by the counsel to be true and accurate.

11 (5) In a county or justice court, the total fees and expenses payable under this section must be
12 submitted to the court by counsel or other providers and are subject to the review of the court. The
13 court shall certify that such amount is fair reimbursement for fees and expenses for representation
14 in the case as provided in subsection (6) of this section. Upon certification and any verification as
15 provided under subsection (6) of this section, the amount of the fees and expenses approved by the
16 court and not already paid shall be paid by the county.

17 (6) In a county or justice court, the court shall certify to the administrative authority respon-
18 sible for paying fees and expenses under this section that the amount for payment is reasonable and
19 that the amount is properly payable out of public funds.

20 (7) In a circuit court, the total fees and expenses payable under this section must be submitted
21 to and are subject to review by the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public**
22 **Defense Commission**. The [*public defense services*] executive director **of the commission** shall
23 determine whether the amount is necessary, reasonable and properly payable from public funds for
24 fees and expenses for representation in the case as provided by the policies, procedures, standards
25 and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **commission**. The [*public defense*
26 *services*] executive director **of the commission** shall pay the amount of the fees and expenses de-
27 termined necessary, reasonable and properly payable out of public funds. The court shall provide
28 any information identified and requested by the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the**
29 **commission** as needed for audit, statistical or any other purpose pertinent to ensure the proper
30 disbursement of state funds or pertinent to the provision of appointed counsel compensated at state
31 expense.

32 (8) If the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commis-**
33 **sion** denies, in whole or in part, fees and expenses submitted for review and payment, the person
34 who submitted the payment request may appeal the decision to the presiding judge of the circuit
35 court. The presiding judge or the designee of the presiding judge shall review the [*public defense*
36 *services*] executive director's decision for abuse of discretion. The decision of the presiding judge
37 or the designee of the presiding judge is final.

38 (9) The following may not be disclosed to the district attorney prior to the conclusion of a case:

39 (a) Requests and administrative or court orders for preauthorization to incur [*nonroutine*] fees
40 and expenses **subject to a preauthorization requirement** in the investigation, preparation and
41 presentation of the case; and

42 (b) Billings for such fees and expenses submitted by counsel or other providers.

43 (10) Notwithstanding subsection (9) of this section, the total amount of moneys determined to
44 be necessary and reasonable for [*nonroutine*] fees and expenses **subject to a preauthorization re-**
45 **quirement** may be disclosed to the district attorney at the conclusion of the trial in the circuit

1 court.

2 (11) As used in this section unless the context requires otherwise, “counsel” includes a legal
3 advisor appointed under ORS 135.045.

4
5 (Transfer of Duties)
6

7 **SECTION 8.** (1) **The Public Defense Services Commission is abolished. On the operative**
8 **date of this section, the tenure of office of the members of the Public Defense Services**
9 **Commission and of the public defense services executive director ceases.**

10 (2) **All of the duties, functions and powers of the Public Defense Services Commission,**
11 **except as those duties, functions and powers are modified by the amendments to ORS 151.213,**
12 **151.216 and 151.219 by sections 2 to 4 of this 2023 Act, are imposed upon, transferred to and**
13 **vested in the Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

14 **SECTION 9.** (1) **The chairperson of the Public Defense Services Commission and the**
15 **public defense services executive director shall:**

16 (a) **Deliver to the Oregon Public Defense Commission all records and property within the**
17 **jurisdiction of the chairperson and executive director that relate to the duties, functions and**
18 **powers transferred by section 8 of this 2023 Act; and**

19 (b) **Transfer to the Oregon Public Defense Commission those employees engaged prima-**
20 **rily in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 8 of this 2023**
21 **Act.**

22 (2) **The executive director of the Oregon Public Defense Commission shall take possession**
23 **of the records and property, and shall take charge of the employees and employ them in the**
24 **exercise of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 8 of this 2023 Act, without**
25 **reduction of compensation but subject to change or termination of employment or compen-**
26 **sation as provided by law.**

27 (3) **The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall resolve any dispute between the Public**
28 **Defense Service Commission, the office of public defense services and the Oregon Public**
29 **Defense Commission, and the Chief Justice’s decision is final.**

30 **SECTION 10.** (1) **The unexpended balances of amounts authorized to be expended by the**
31 **Public Defense Services Commission for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, from revenues**
32 **dedicated, continuously appropriated, appropriated or otherwise made available for the pur-**
33 **pose of administering and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section**
34 **8 of this 2023 Act are transferred to and are available for expenditure by the Oregon Public**
35 **Defense Commission for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, for the purpose of administer-**
36 **ing and enforcing the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 8 of this 2023 Act.**

37 (2) **The expenditure classifications, if any, established by Acts authorizing or limiting**
38 **expenditures by the Public Defense Services Commission remain applicable to expenditures**
39 **by the Oregon Public Defense Commission under this section.**

40 **SECTION 11.** **The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the Oregon Public Defense**
41 **Commission by section 8 of this 2023 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prose-**
42 **cution involving or with respect to such duties, functions and powers begun before and**
43 **pending at the time of the transfer, except that the Oregon Public Defense Commission is**
44 **substituted for the Public Defense Services Commission in the action, proceeding or prose-**
45 **cution.**

1 **SECTION 12.** (1) Nothing in this 2023 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obli-
2 gation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by
3 section 8 of this 2023 Act. The Oregon Public Defense Commission may undertake the col-
4 lection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

5 (2) The rights and obligations of the Public Defense Services Commission legally incurred
6 under contracts, leases and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the
7 operative date of section 8 of this Act are transferred to the Oregon Public Defense Com-
8 mission. For the purpose of succession to these rights and obligations, the Oregon Public
9 Defense Commission is a continuation of the Public Defense Services Commission and not a
10 new authority.

11 **SECTION 13.** For the purpose of harmonizing and clarifying statutory law, the Legislative
12 Counsel may substitute for words designating the “Public Defense Services Commission” or
13 its officers, or the office of public defense services, wherever they occur in statutory law,
14 words designating the “Oregon Public Defense Commission” or its officers.

15 **SECTION 14.** (1) Sections 8 to 13 of this 2023 Act and the amendments to ORS 151.211,
16 151.213, 151.216, 151.219, 151.221, 151.225 and 135.055 by sections 1 to 7 of this 2023 Act become
17 operative on January 1, 2024.

18 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section:

19 (a) No later than November 1, 2023, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall by order
20 appoint four nonvoting members and nine new voting members to the Oregon Public Defense
21 Commission as provided in ORS 151.213 (2). Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this sub-
22 section, the appointments described in this subsection take effect on January 1, 2024.

23 (b) The Chief Justice, Governor, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of
24 Representatives may take any action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of
25 this section that is necessary to effectuate the appointment process described in this sub-
26 section and ORS 151.213 (2).

27 (c) The executive director of the Oregon Public Defense Commission shall be appointed
28 by the members of the commission before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of
29 this section and may take any action before that date that is necessary to enable the exec-
30 utive director and the commission to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in
31 subsection (1) of this section, the duties, functions and powers conferred on the executive
32 director and the commission by the amendments to ORS 151.211, 151.213, 151.216, 151.219,
33 151.221, 151.225 and 135.055 by sections 1 to 7 of this 2023 Act.

34 (3) Notwithstanding ORS 151.213 (3), the initial terms of persons appointed as voting
35 members to the Oregon Public Defense Commission under this section shall be staggered as
36 follows:

37 (a) The initial term of one of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(A), one
38 of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(B) and the voting member described
39 in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(E) shall be four years.

40 (b) The initial term of one of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(A) and
41 the voting member described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(C) shall be three years.

42 (c) The initial term of one of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(B) and
43 the voting member described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(D) shall be two years.

44 (d) The initial term of one of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(A) and
45 one of the voting members described in ORS 151.213 (2)(a)(B) shall be one year.

1 (4) A person who is a member of the Public Defense Services Commission on November
2 1, 2023, is eligible for appointment to the Oregon Public Defense Commission if the person
3 meets the requirements described in ORS 151.213 (2).

4
5 (Conforming Amendments)
6

7 **SECTION 15.** ORS 1.009 is amended to read:

8 1.009. (1) The Judicial Department Operating Account is established in the State Treasury, sep-
9 arate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by the account shall be credited to the
10 account. All moneys in the account are continuously appropriated to the Judicial Department and
11 may be used only to pay the operating expenses of the department.

12 (2) All moneys received by the department pursuant to ORS 151.216 [(1)(m)] (1)(f) shall be de-
13 posited in the Judicial Department Operating Account.

14 (3) The department may accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source, whether public
15 or private, for deposit in the Judicial Department Operating Account.

16 **SECTION 16.** ORS 8.105 is amended to read:

17 8.105. (1) Before making any change to a compensation plan, an administrative division of the
18 judicial department must submit the proposed change to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means
19 during the period when the Legislative Assembly is in session, or to the Emergency Board or the
20 Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means during the interim period between sessions.

21 (2) This section applies to all boards, commissions, committees and departments of the judicial
22 department, as defined in ORS 174.113, including but not limited to the [*Public Defense Services*
23 *Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** and the Commission on Judicial Fitness and
24 Disability.

25 **SECTION 17.** ORS 34.355 is amended to read:

26 34.355. If counsel is appointed by a court to represent, in an initial proceeding by habeas corpus
27 or on appeal as provided in ORS 34.710, a person who is imprisoned or otherwise restrained of lib-
28 erty by virtue of a charge or conviction of crime and who is determined to be financially eligible
29 for appointed counsel at state expense, the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon**
30 **Public Defense Commission** shall determine compensation for counsel and costs and expenses of
31 the person in the proceeding or on appeal. Compensation for counsel and expenses of the person in
32 an initial proceeding or in a circuit court on appeal shall be determined and paid as provided in
33 ORS 135.055. Compensation for counsel and costs and expenses of the person on appeal to the Court
34 of Appeals or on review by the Supreme Court shall be determined and paid as provided in ORS
35 138.500. The compensation and expenses so allowed in an initial proceeding in a county court shall
36 be paid by the county in which the person was charged or convicted of crime.

37 **SECTION 18.** ORS 40.225 is amended to read:

38 40.225. (1) As used in this section, unless the context requires otherwise:

39 (a) "Client" means:

40 (A) A person, public officer, corporation, association or other organization or entity, either
41 public or private, who is rendered professional legal services by a lawyer, or who consults a lawyer
42 with a view to obtaining professional legal services from the lawyer.

43 (B) A person, public officer, corporation, association or other organization or entity, either
44 public or private, who consults a lawyer referral service with a view to obtaining professional legal
45 services from a lawyer.

1 (b) "Confidential communication" means a communication not intended to be disclosed to third
2 persons other than those to whom disclosure is in furtherance of the rendition of professional legal
3 services to the client or those reasonably necessary for the transmission of the communication.

4 (c) "Lawyer" means a person authorized, or reasonably believed by the client to be authorized,
5 to practice law in any state or nation.

6 (d) "Lawyer referral service" means an entity that, as a regular part of its business, refers po-
7 tential clients to lawyers, including but not limited to a public nonprofit entity sponsored or oper-
8 ated by the Oregon State Bar.

9 (e) "Representative of the client" means:

10 (A) A principal, an officer or a director of the client; or

11 (B) A person who has authority to obtain professional legal services, or to act on legal advice
12 rendered, on behalf of the client, or a person who, for the purpose of effectuating legal represen-
13 tation for the client, makes or receives a confidential communication while acting in the person's
14 scope of employment for the client.

15 (f) "Representative of the lawyer" means one employed to assist the lawyer in the rendition of
16 professional legal services, but does not include a physician making a physical or mental examina-
17 tion under ORCP 44.

18 (2) A client has a privilege to refuse to disclose and to prevent any other person from disclosing
19 confidential communications made for the purpose of facilitating the rendition of professional legal
20 services to the client:

21 (a) Between the client or the client's representative and the client's lawyer or a representative
22 of the lawyer;

23 (b) Between the client's lawyer and the lawyer's representative or the client's lawyer referral
24 service;

25 (c) By the client or the client's lawyer to a lawyer representing another in a matter of common
26 interest;

27 (d) Between representatives of the client or between the client and a representative of the cli-
28 ent;

29 (e) Between lawyers representing the client; or

30 (f) Between the client or a representative of the client and a lawyer referral service.

31 (3) The privilege created by this section may be claimed by the client, a guardian or conservator
32 of the client, the personal representative of a deceased client, or the successor, trustee, or similar
33 representative of a corporation, association, or other organization, whether or not in existence. The
34 person who was the lawyer or lawyer referral service or the lawyer's representative at the time of
35 the communication is presumed to have authority to claim the privilege but only on behalf of the
36 client.

37 (4) There is no privilege under this section:

38 (a) If the services of the lawyer or lawyer referral service were sought or obtained to enable
39 or aid anyone to commit or plan to commit what the client knew or reasonably should have known
40 to be a crime or fraud;

41 (b) As to a communication relevant to an issue between parties who claim through the same
42 deceased client, regardless of whether the claims are by testate or intestate succession or by inter
43 vivos transaction;

44 (c) As to a communication relevant to an issue of breach of duty by the lawyer or lawyer re-
45 ferral service to the client or by the client to the lawyer or lawyer referral service;

1 (d) As to a communication relevant to an issue concerning an attested document to which the
2 lawyer or lawyer referral service is an attesting witness; or

3 (e) As to a communication relevant to a matter of common interest between two or more clients
4 if the communication was made by any of them to a lawyer retained or consulted in common, when
5 offered in an action between any of the clients.

6 (5) Notwithstanding ORS 40.280, a privilege is maintained under this section for a communi-
7 cation made to the [office of public defense services established under ORS 151.216] **Oregon Public**
8 **Defense Commission** for the purpose of seeking preauthorization for or payment of [nonroutine]
9 fees or expenses under ORS 135.055.

10 (6) Notwithstanding subsection (4)(c) of this section and ORS 40.280, a privilege is maintained
11 under this section for a communication that is made to the [office of public defense services estab-
12 lished under ORS 151.216] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** for the purpose of making, or
13 providing information regarding, a complaint against a lawyer providing public defense services.

14 (7) Notwithstanding ORS 40.280, a privilege is maintained under this section for a communi-
15 cation ordered to be disclosed under ORS 192.311 to 192.478.

16 **SECTION 19.** ORS 42.125 is amended to read:

17 42.125. (1) For the purposes of ORS 40.510 (1)(a) and (d), each state officer and state agency may
18 have a seal which, unless specifically provided otherwise by law, shall consist of an impression,
19 imprint or likeness of the state seal accompanied by the name of the state officer or state agency.

20 (2) As used in this section:

21 (a) "Seal" has the meaning given that term in ORS 42.110.

22 (b) "State agency" means every state officer, board, commission, department, institution, branch
23 or agency of the state government, except:

24 (A) The Legislative Assembly and the courts and their officers and committees; and

25 (B) The [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

26 (c) "State officer" includes any appointed state official who is authorized by the Oregon De-
27 partment of Administrative Services to have a seal and any elected state official, except members
28 of the Legislative Assembly.

29 **SECTION 20.** ORS 45.275 is amended to read:

30 45.275. (1)(a) The court shall appoint a qualified interpreter in a civil or criminal proceeding,
31 and a hearing officer or the designee of a hearing officer shall appoint a qualified interpreter in an
32 adjudicatory proceeding, whenever it is necessary:

33 (A) To interpret the proceedings to a non-English-speaking party;

34 (B) To interpret the testimony of a non-English-speaking party or witness; or

35 (C) To assist the court, agency or hearing officer in performing the duties and responsibilities
36 of the court, agency or hearing officer.

37 (b) The court shall appoint a qualified interpreter in a criminal proceeding whenever it is nec-
38 essary to interpret the proceedings to a non-English-speaking victim who seeks to exercise in open
39 court a right that is granted by Article I, section 42 or 43, of the Oregon Constitution, including the
40 right to be present at a critical stage of the proceeding.

41 (2) A fee may not be charged to any person for the appointment of an interpreter to interpret
42 testimony of a non-English-speaking party or witness, to interpret the proceedings to a non-
43 English-speaking party or victim or to assist the court, agency or hearing officer in performing the
44 duties and responsibilities of the court, agency or hearing officer. A fee may not be charged to any
45 person for the appointment of an interpreter if appointment is made to determine whether the person

1 is non-English-speaking for the purposes of this section.

2 (3) Fair compensation for the services of an interpreter appointed under this section shall be
3 paid:

4 (a) By the county, subject to the approval of the terms of the contract by the governing body
5 of the county, in a proceeding in a county or justice court.

6 (b) By the city, subject to the approval of the terms of the contract by the governing body of
7 the city, in a proceeding in a municipal court.

8 (c) By the state in a proceeding in a circuit court. Amounts payable by the state are not payable
9 from the Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225 or from moneys appropriated
10 to the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**. Fees of an in-
11 terpreter necessary for the purpose of communication between appointed counsel and a client or
12 witness in a criminal case are payable from the Public Defense Services Account or from moneys
13 appropriated to the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

14 (d) By the agency in an adjudicatory proceeding.

15 (4) If a party, victim or witness is dissatisfied with the interpreter appointed by the court, the
16 hearing officer or the designee of the hearing officer, the party, victim or witness may request the
17 appointment of a different interpreter. A request under this subsection must be made in a manner
18 consistent with the policies and notice requirements of the court or agency relating to the appoint-
19 ment and scheduling of interpreters. If the substitution of another interpreter will delay the pro-
20 ceeding, the person making the request must show good cause for the substitution. Any party may
21 object to use of any interpreter for good cause. Unless the court, hearing officer or the designee of
22 the hearing officer has appointed a different interpreter for cause, the party using any interpreter
23 other than the interpreter originally appointed by the court, hearing officer or the designee of the
24 hearing officer shall bear any additional costs beyond the amount required to pay the original in-
25 terpreter.

26 (5) A judge or hearing officer, on the judge's or hearing officer's own motion, may substitute a
27 different interpreter for the interpreter initially appointed in a proceeding. A judge or hearing offi-
28 cer may make a substitution under this subsection at any time and for any reason.

29 (6) A court may allow as costs reasonable expenses incurred by a party in employing the ser-
30 vices of an interpreter in civil proceedings in the manner provided by ORCP 68.

31 (7) A court, a hearing officer or the designee of a hearing officer shall require any person
32 serving as an interpreter for the court or agency to state the person's name on the record and
33 whether the person is certified under ORS 45.291. If the person is certified under ORS 45.291, the
34 interpreter need not make the oath or affirmation required by ORS 40.325 or submit the interpreter's
35 qualifications on the record. If the person is not certified under ORS 45.291, the interpreter must
36 make the oath or affirmation required by ORS 40.325 and submit the interpreter's qualifications on
37 the record.

38 (8) For the purposes of this section:

39 (a) "Hearing officer" includes an administrative law judge.

40 (b) "Non-English-speaking person" means a person who, by reason of place of birth or culture,
41 speaks a language other than English and does not speak English with adequate ability to commu-
42 nicate effectively in the proceedings.

43 (c) "Qualified interpreter" means a person who is readily able to communicate with the non-
44 English-speaking person and who can orally transfer the meaning of statements to and from English
45 and the language spoken by the non-English-speaking person. A qualified interpreter must be able

1 to interpret in a manner that conserves the meaning, tone, level, style and register of the original
2 statement, without additions or omissions. “Qualified interpreter” does not include any person who
3 is unable to interpret the dialect, slang or specialized vocabulary used by the party, victim or wit-
4 ness.

5 **SECTION 21.** ORS 45.285 is amended to read:

6 45.285. (1) For the purposes of this section:

7 (a) “Assistive communication device” means any equipment designed to facilitate communication
8 by a person with a disability.

9 (b) “Hearing officer” includes an administrative law judge.

10 (c) “Person with a disability” means a person who cannot readily understand the proceedings
11 because of deafness or a physical hearing impairment, or cannot communicate in the proceedings
12 because of a physical speaking impairment.

13 (d) “Qualified interpreter” means a person who is readily able to communicate with the person
14 with a disability, interpret the proceedings and accurately repeat and interpret the statements of the
15 person with a disability to the court.

16 (2) In any civil action, adjudicatory proceeding or criminal proceeding, including a court-ordered
17 deposition if no other person is responsible for providing an interpreter, in which a person with a
18 disability is a party or witness, the court, hearing officer or the designee of the hearing officer shall
19 appoint a qualified interpreter and make available appropriate assistive communication devices
20 whenever it is necessary to interpret the proceedings to the person with a disability, or to interpret
21 the testimony of the person with a disability.

22 (3) In any criminal proceeding, the court shall appoint a qualified interpreter and make available
23 appropriate assistive communication devices whenever it is necessary to interpret the proceedings
24 to a victim who is a person with a disability and who seeks to exercise in open court a right that
25 is granted by Article I, section 42 or 43, of the Oregon Constitution, including the right to be pres-
26 ent at a critical stage of the proceeding.

27 (4) A fee may not be charged to the person with a disability for the appointment of an inter-
28 preter or use of an assistive communication device under this section. A fee may not be charged to
29 any person for the appointment of an interpreter or the use of an assistive communication device
30 if appointment or use is made to determine whether the person is a person with a disability for the
31 purposes of this section.

32 (5) Fair compensation for the services of an interpreter or the cost of an assistive communi-
33 cation device under this section shall be paid:

34 (a) By the county, subject to the approval of the terms of the contract by the governing body
35 of the county, in a proceeding in a county or justice court.

36 (b) By the city, subject to the approval of the terms of the contract by the governing body of
37 the city, in a proceeding in a municipal court.

38 (c) By the state in a proceeding in a circuit court. Amounts payable by the state are not payable
39 from the Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225 or from moneys appropriated
40 to the *[Public Defense Services Commission]* **Oregon Public Defense Commission**. Fees of an in-
41 terpreter necessary for the purpose of communication between appointed counsel and a client or
42 witness in a criminal case are payable from the Public Defense Services Account or from moneys
43 appropriated to the *[Public Defense Services Commission]* **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

44 (d) By the agency in an adjudicatory proceeding.

45 **SECTION 22.** ORS 84.064 is amended to read:

1 84.064. (1) For purposes of ORS 84.049, 84.052 and 84.055, the State Chief Information Officer
2 shall make determinations and adopt standards for state agencies.

3 (2) The State Chief Information Officer shall adopt rules to govern state agency use of electronic
4 signatures. The rules must include control processes and procedures to ensure adequate integrity,
5 security and confidentiality for business transactions that state agencies conduct using electronic
6 commerce and to ensure that the transactions can be audited as is necessary for the normal conduct
7 of business.

8 (3) As used in this section, “state agency” means every state officer and board, commission,
9 department, institution, branch and agency of the state government, the costs of which are paid
10 wholly or in part from funds held in the State Treasury, except:

11 (a) The Legislative Assembly, the courts, the district attorney for each county and the officers
12 and committees of the Legislative Assembly, the courts and the district attorney; and

13 (b) The *[Public Defense Services Commission]* **Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

14 **SECTION 23.** ORS 125.035 is amended to read:

15 125.035. (1) As used in this section:

16 (a) “Case subtype” means guardianship, conservatorship or guardianship and conservatorship.

17 (b) “Case type” means adult protective proceeding or minor protective proceeding.

18 (2) No later than September 15 of each year, the Judicial Department shall submit, to the in-
19 terim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary, a report on county-level data
20 concerning protective proceedings in Multnomah, Lane and Columbia Counties during the two cal-
21 endar years immediately preceding the year of the report, including:

22 (a) The number of protective proceedings initiated, broken out by case type and case subtype;

23 (b) The number of protective proceedings where the respondent was 65 years of age or older at
24 the time the petition was filed;

25 (c) The number of protective proceedings granted, broken out by case type and case subtype;
26 and

27 (d) The number of respondents or protected persons for whom the court appointed counsel under
28 ORS 125.080, broken out by case subtype.

29 (3) The department, in consultation with the *[office of public defense services]* **Oregon Public**
30 **Defense Commission**, shall also include in the report described in subsection (2) of this section, to
31 the extent the data is available:

32 (a) The number of cases with court-appointed counsel where payment for court-appointed coun-
33 sel was from the assets of the respondent or protected person, broken out by case subtype; and

34 (b) The aggregate number of hours court-appointed counsel spent representing respondents or
35 protected persons and the average number of hours court-appointed counsel spent per case.

36 **SECTION 24.** ORS 125.080 is amended to read:

37 125.080. (1) The court may require that a hearing be held on any petition or motion in a pro-
38 tective proceeding.

39 (2) A hearing must be held on a petition or motion if the respondent or protected person makes
40 or files an objection to the petition or motion and the objection is not withdrawn before the time
41 scheduled for the hearing.

42 (3) A hearing must be held on a motion to modify a guardian’s powers under ORS 125.323.

43 (4) The respondent or protected person may appear at a hearing in person or by counsel.

44 (5) If the hearing is regarding a petition for appointment of a guardian for a vulnerable youth
45 or a petition involving a vulnerable youth guardianship, the court:

1 (a) May allow the respondent or protected person, proposed guardian, guardian or any other
2 witness to appear by telephone, video or other remote technology;

3 (b)(A) May take testimony from or confer with the respondent or protected person and may ex-
4 clude from the conference others if the court finds that doing so would be in the best interests of
5 the respondent or protected person; and

6 (B) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, shall permit any attorney for the re-
7 spondent or protected person to attend the conference and the conference must be reported;

8 (c) May not inquire into the nationality or current immigration status of the proposed guardian,
9 guardian or any other witness; and

10 (d) May not inquire about any prior immigration status of the respondent or protected person
11 or about the manner or place in which the respondent or protected person entered the United States
12 of America.

13 (6)(a) If the court requires that a hearing be held or a hearing is otherwise required under this
14 section, the court shall appoint counsel for the respondent or protected person when:

15 (A) The respondent or protected person requests that counsel be appointed;

16 (B) An objection is made or filed to the petition or motion by any person;

17 (C) The court has appointed a visitor under ORS 125.150, 125.160 or 125.605, and the visitor re-
18 commends appointment of counsel for the respondent or protected person; or

19 (D) The court determines that the respondent or protected person is in need of legal counsel.

20 (b) The court is not required to appoint counsel under this subsection if the respondent or pro-
21 tected person is already represented by counsel or otherwise objects to appointment of counsel.

22 (7) If the court appoints counsel under subsection (6) of this section:

23 (a) The court shall order payment of attorney fees and costs from the guardianship or conser-
24 vatorship estate of the respondent or protected person if sufficient funds exist to pay all or a portion
25 of the attorney fees and costs due; or

26 (b) The court may determine that a respondent or protected person is financially eligible for
27 appointed counsel at state expense and, if so, the compensation for legal counsel and costs and ex-
28 penses necessary for representation of the respondent or protected person shall be determined and
29 paid by the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission**
30 as provided under ORS 135.055.

31 **SECTION 25.** ORS 135.050 is amended to read:

32 135.050. (1) Suitable counsel for a defendant shall be appointed by a municipal, county or justice
33 court if:

34 (a) The defendant is before a court on a matter described in subsection (5) of this section;

35 (b) The defendant requests aid of counsel;

36 (c) The defendant provides to the court a written and verified financial statement; and

37 (d) It appears to the court that the defendant is financially unable to retain adequate represen-
38 tation without substantial hardship in providing basic economic necessities to the defendant or the
39 defendant's dependent family.

40 (2) Suitable counsel for a defendant shall be appointed by a circuit court if:

41 (a) The defendant is before the court on a matter described in subsection (5) of this section;

42 (b) The defendant requests aid of counsel;

43 (c) The defendant provides to the court a written and verified financial statement; and

44 (d)(A) The defendant is determined to be financially eligible under ORS 151.485 and the stan-
45 dards established by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**

1 under ORS 151.216; or

2 (B) The court finds, on the record, substantial and compelling reasons why the defendant is fi-
3 nancially unable to retain adequate representation without substantial hardship in providing basic
4 economic necessities to the defendant or the defendant's dependent family despite the fact that the
5 defendant does not meet the financial eligibility standards established by the commission.

6 (3) Appointed counsel may not be denied to any defendant merely because the defendant's
7 friends or relatives have resources adequate to retain counsel or because the defendant has depos-
8 ited or is capable of depositing security for release. However, appointed counsel may be denied to
9 a defendant if the defendant's spouse has adequate resources which the court determines should be
10 made available to retain counsel.

11 (4) The defendant's financial statement under subsection (1) or (2) of this section shall include,
12 but not be limited to:

13 (a) A list of bank accounts in the name of defendant or defendant's spouse, and the balance in
14 each;

15 (b) A list of defendant's interests in real property and those of defendant's spouse;

16 (c) A list of automobiles and other personal property of significant value belonging to defendant
17 or defendant's spouse;

18 (d) A list of debts in the name of defendant or defendant's spouse, and the total of each; and

19 (e) A record of earnings and other sources of income in the name of defendant or defendant's
20 spouse, and the total of each.

21 (5) Counsel must be appointed for a defendant who meets the requirements of subsection (1) or
22 (2) of this section and who is before a court on any of the following matters:

23 (a) Charged with a crime.

24 (b) For a hearing to determine whether an enhanced sentence should be imposed when such
25 proceedings may result in the imposition of a felony sentence.

26 (c) For extradition proceedings under the provisions of the Uniform Criminal Extradition Act.

27 (d) For any proceeding concerning an order of probation, including but not limited to the re-
28 voking or amending thereof.

29 (6) Unless otherwise ordered by the court, the appointment of counsel under this section shall
30 continue during all criminal proceedings resulting from the defendant's arrest through acquittal or
31 the imposition of punishment. The court having jurisdiction of the case may not substitute one ap-
32 pointed counsel for another except pursuant to the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines
33 of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** under ORS
34 151.216.

35 (7) If, at any time after the appointment of counsel, the court having jurisdiction of the case
36 finds that the defendant is financially able to obtain counsel, the court may terminate the appoint-
37 ment of counsel. If, at any time during criminal proceedings, the court having jurisdiction of the
38 case finds that the defendant is financially unable to pay counsel whom the defendant has retained,
39 the court may appoint counsel as provided in this section.

40 (8) The court may order the defendant in a circuit court to pay to the Public Defense Services
41 Account established by ORS 151.225, through the clerk of the court, in full or in part the adminis-
42 trative costs of determining the eligibility of the defendant for appointed counsel and the costs of
43 the legal and other services that are related to the provision of appointed counsel under ORS
44 151.487.

45 (9) In addition to any criminal prosecution, a civil proceeding may be initiated by any public

1 body which has expended moneys for the defendant's legal assistance within two years of judgment
2 if the defendant was not qualified in accordance with subsection (1) or (2) of this section for legal
3 assistance.

4 (10) The civil proceeding shall be subject to the exemptions from execution as provided for by
5 law.

6 (11) As used in this section unless the context requires otherwise, "counsel" includes a legal
7 advisor appointed under ORS 135.045.

8 **SECTION 26.** ORS 136.603 is amended to read:

9 136.603. (1)(a) Whenever any person attends any court, grand jury or committing magistrate as
10 a witness on behalf of the prosecution or of any person accused of a crime upon request of the
11 district attorney or city attorney or pursuant to subpoena, or by virtue of a recognizance for that
12 purpose, and it appears that the witness has come from outside the state or that the witness is in-
13 digent, the court may, by an order entered in its records, direct payment to the witness of such sum
14 of money as the court considers reasonable for the expenses of the witness. The order of the court,
15 so entered, is sufficient authority for the payment.

16 (b) Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, if a witness who is to be paid expenses
17 pursuant to this subsection:

18 (A) Attends a grand jury, a circuit court or judge thereof, a judge of a county court or a justice
19 of the peace, on behalf of the prosecution, payment shall be made by the county.

20 (B) Attends a municipal court or judge thereof on behalf of the prosecution, payment shall be
21 made by the city.

22 (C) Attends a circuit court or judge thereof on behalf of a financially eligible defendant, payment
23 shall be made by the [public defense services] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
24 **Commission.**

25 (D) Attends a judge of the county court or a justice of the peace on behalf of a financially eli-
26 gible defendant, payment shall be made by the county.

27 (E) Attends a municipal court or judge thereof on behalf of a financially eligible defendant,
28 payment shall be made by the city.

29 (F) Attends any court on behalf of a defendant who is not financially eligible, payment shall be
30 made by the defendant, and the court shall so order.

31 (2) In the case of a prisoner of a jurisdiction outside of this state who is required to attend as
32 a witness in this state, whether for the prosecution or the defense, the sheriff shall be responsible
33 for transporting the witness to the proper court of this state, and the sheriff shall assume any costs
34 incurred in connection with the witness while the witness is in the custody of the sheriff. However,
35 the sheriff and not the witness shall be entitled to the witness fees, mileage and expenses to which
36 the witness would otherwise be entitled under this section and ORS 136.627 or other applicable law.

37 **SECTION 27.** ORS 137.020 is amended to read:

38 137.020. (1) After a plea or verdict of guilty, or after a verdict against the defendant on a plea
39 of former conviction or acquittal, if the judgment is not arrested or a new trial granted, the court
40 shall appoint a time for pronouncing judgment.

41 (2)(a) The time appointed shall be at least two calendar days after the plea or verdict if the
42 court intends to remain in session so long. If the court does not intend to remain in session at least
43 two calendar days, the time appointed may be sooner than two calendar days, but shall be as remote
44 a time as can reasonably be allowed. However, in the latter case, the judgment shall not be given
45 less than six hours after the plea or verdict, except with the consent of the defendant.

1 (b) Except for good cause shown or as otherwise provided in this paragraph, a court shall not
 2 delay for more than 31 calendar days after the plea or verdict the sentencing of a defendant held
 3 in custody on account of the pending proceedings. Except for good cause shown or as otherwise
 4 provided in this paragraph, a court shall not delay for more than 56 calendar days after the plea
 5 or verdict the sentencing of a defendant not held in custody on account of the pending proceedings.
 6 If the defendant is not in custody and the court does not pronounce judgment within 56 calendar
 7 days after the plea or verdict, any period of probation imposed as a part of a subsequent judgment
 8 shall begin to run from the date of the plea or verdict.

9 (3) If the defendant is in custody following the verdict, the court shall pronounce judgment as
 10 soon as practicable, but in any case within seven calendar days following the verdict if no presen-
 11 tence investigation is ordered, and within seven calendar days after delivery of the presentence re-
 12 port to the court if a presentence investigation has been ordered; however, the court may delay
 13 pronouncement of judgment beyond the limits of this subsection for good cause shown.

14 (4) If the final calendar day a defendant must be sentenced is not a judicial day then sentencing
 15 may be delayed until the next judicial day.

16 (5)(a) At the time a court pronounces judgment the defendant, if present, shall be advised of the
 17 right to appeal and of the procedure for protecting that right. If the defendant is not present, the
 18 court shall advise the defendant in writing of the right to appeal and of the procedure for protecting
 19 that right.

20 (b) If the trial court sentences the defendant subsequent to a plea of guilty or no contest or upon
 21 probation revocation or sentence suspension, or if the trial court sentences the defendant after
 22 judgment of an appellate court or a post-conviction relief court, the court shall advise the defendant
 23 of the limitations on reviewability imposed by ORS 138.105 in person or, if the defendant is not
 24 present, in writing.

25 (6) If the defendant is financially eligible for appointment of counsel at state expense on appeal
 26 under ORS 138.500, trial counsel shall determine whether the defendant wishes to pursue an appeal.
 27 If the defendant wishes to pursue an appeal, trial counsel shall transmit to the [*office of public de-*
 28 *fense services established under ORS 151.216*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**, on a form pre-
 29 pared by the office, information necessary to perfect the appeal.

30 **SECTION 28.** ORS 138.310 is amended to read:

31 138.310. When the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
 32 **Commission** pays costs, expenses or compensation under ORS 138.500 (5) on appeal in a criminal
 33 action, the [*public defense services*] executive director shall notify the court below of the costs, ex-
 34 penses and compensation paid in order that the court below may exercise its discretion under ORS
 35 151.505 or 161.665 (2).

36 **SECTION 29.** ORS 138.480 is amended to read:

37 138.480. The Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals may, in its discretion, at the request of an
 38 individual who is deprived of liberty by a judgment, is without means to retain an attorney and is
 39 without the aid of an attorney, direct the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public De-**
 40 **fense Commission** to provide representation for the individual in a proceeding before it to test the
 41 validity of that judgment.

42 **SECTION 30.** ORS 138.500 is amended to read:

43 138.500. (1) If a defendant in a criminal action or a petitioner in a proceeding pursuant to ORS
 44 138.510 to 138.680 wishes to appeal from an appealable adverse final order or judgment of a circuit
 45 court and if the person is without funds to employ suitable counsel possessing skills and experience

1 commensurate with the nature and complexity of the case for the appeal, the person may request
 2 the circuit court from which the appeal is or would be taken to appoint counsel to represent the
 3 person on appeal. The following apply to a request under this subsection:

4 (a) The request shall be in writing and shall be made within the time during which an appeal
 5 may be taken or, if the notice of appeal has been filed, at any time thereafter. The request shall
 6 include a brief statement of the assets, liabilities and income in the previous year of the person
 7 unless the court already determined the person to be financially eligible for appointed counsel at
 8 state expense for purposes of the specific case, in which instance, the written request need only so
 9 indicate. However, if a request relies on a court's previous determination that the person is finan-
 10 cially eligible, the court, in its discretion, may require the person to submit a new statement of as-
 11 sets, liabilities and income.

12 (b) If, based upon a request under paragraph (a) of this subsection, the court finds that petitioner
 13 or defendant previously received the services of appointed counsel or currently is without funds to
 14 employ suitable counsel for an appeal, the court shall appoint counsel to represent petitioner or
 15 defendant on the appeal.

16 (2)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, when a defendant has been sentenced to
 17 death, the request for appointed counsel shall be made to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court
 18 shall appoint suitable counsel to represent the defendant on the appeal.

19 (b) After the notice of appeal has been filed, the Court of Appeals has concurrent authority to
 20 appoint or substitute counsel or appoint or substitute a legal advisor for the defendant under ORS
 21 138.504.

22 (c) The Supreme Court has concurrent authority to appoint or substitute counsel or appoint or
 23 substitute a legal advisor for the defendant under ORS 138.504 in connection with review of a Court
 24 of Appeals decision under ORS 2.520.

25 (d) Neither the Court of Appeals nor the Supreme Court may substitute one appointed counsel
 26 for another under paragraph (b) or (c) of this subsection except pursuant to the policies, procedures,
 27 standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense**
 28 **Commission**.

29 (3) Whenever a defendant in a criminal action or a petitioner in a proceeding pursuant to ORS
 30 138.510 to 138.680 has filed a notice of appeal from an appealable adverse final order or judgment
 31 of a circuit court and the person is without funds to pay for a transcript, or portion thereof, nec-
 32 essary to present adequately the case upon appeal, the person may request the [*public defense ser-*
 33 *vices*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** to have the transcript, or
 34 portion thereof, prepared for purposes of appeal. The following apply to a request under this sub-
 35 section:

36 (a) The [*public defense services*] executive director shall authorize the preparation of a transcript
 37 after a court has determined that the person is eligible for court-appointed counsel or, if the person
 38 has not applied for court-appointed counsel, the person submits a statement of the person's assets,
 39 liabilities and income in the previous year and the director determines that the person is eligible for
 40 preparation of a transcript at state expense.

41 (b) The cost of the transcript preparation under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be in the
 42 amount prescribed in ORS 21.345 and paid for as provided by the policies, procedures, standards and
 43 guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

44 (4) After submission of the original brief by counsel, the [*public defense services*] executive di-
 45 rector **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall determine the cost of briefs and any other

1 expenses of appellant, except transcripts, necessary to appellate review and a reasonable amount
 2 of compensation for counsel appointed under this section. Compensation payable to appointed coun-
 3 sel shall be as established under ORS 151.216. On any review by the Supreme Court of the judgment
 4 of the Court of Appeals the [public defense services] executive director shall similarly determine the
 5 costs of briefs and any other expenses necessary for review and a reasonable amount of compen-
 6 sation for counsel appointed under this section.

7 (5) Costs, expenses and compensation determined by the [public defense services] executive di-
 8 rector **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** under subsection (4) of this section shall be paid
 9 by the [public defense services] executive director from funds available for that purpose.

10 (6) If the [public defense services] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commis-**
 11 **sion** denies, in whole or in part, costs, expenses and compensation submitted for review and pay-
 12 ment, the person who submitted the payment request may appeal the decision to the Chief Judge
 13 of the Court of Appeals, if the appeal is in the Court of Appeals, or to the Chief Justice of the Su-
 14 preme Court, if the appeal is in the Supreme Court. The Chief Judge, Chief Justice or the designee
 15 of the Chief Judge or Chief Justice, as appropriate, shall review the [public defense services] execu-
 16 tive director's decision for abuse of discretion. The decision of the Chief Judge, the Chief Justice
 17 or the designee of the Chief Judge or Chief Justice is final.

18 (7) The provisions of this section shall apply in favor of the defendant in a criminal action or
 19 the petitioner in a proceeding pursuant to ORS 138.510 to 138.680 when the person is respondent in
 20 an appeal taken by the state in a criminal action or by the defendant in a proceeding pursuant to
 21 ORS 138.510 to 138.680.

22 (8) As used in this section, "criminal action" does not include an action that involves only vio-
 23 lations.

24 (9) As used in subsection (4) of this section, "counsel" includes a legal advisor appointed under
 25 ORS 138.504.

26 **SECTION 31.** ORS 138.590 is amended to read:

27 138.590. (1) Any petitioner who is unable to pay the expenses of a proceeding pursuant to ORS
 28 138.510 to 138.680 or to employ suitable counsel possessing skills and experience commensurate with
 29 the nature of the conviction and complexity of the case for the proceeding may proceed as a finan-
 30 cially eligible person pursuant to this section upon order of the circuit court in which the petition
 31 is filed.

32 (2) If the petitioner wishes to proceed as a financially eligible person, the person shall file with
 33 the petition an affidavit stating inability to pay the expenses of a proceeding pursuant to ORS
 34 138.510 to 138.680, including, but not limited to, the filing fee required by ORS 138.560, or to employ
 35 suitable counsel for such a proceeding. The affidavit shall contain a brief statement of the
 36 petitioner's assets and liabilities and income during the previous year. If the circuit court is satisfied
 37 that the petitioner is unable to pay such expenses or to employ suitable counsel, it shall order that
 38 the petitioner proceed as a financially eligible person. If the court finds that a petitioner who has
 39 been sentenced to death is not competent to decide whether to accept or reject the appointment of
 40 counsel, the court shall appoint counsel to represent the petitioner. However, when a circuit court
 41 orders petitioner's case transferred to another circuit court as provided in ORS 138.560 (4), the
 42 matter of petitioner's proceeding as a financially eligible person shall be determined by the latter
 43 court.

44 (3) If a petitioner who has been sentenced to death qualifies for the appointment of counsel un-
 45 der this section but rejects the appointment, the court shall determine, after a hearing if necessary,

1 whether the petitioner rejected the offer of counsel and made the decision with an understanding
2 of its legal consequences. The court shall make appropriate findings on the record.

3 (4) In the order to proceed as a financially eligible person, the circuit court shall appoint suit-
4 able counsel to represent petitioner. Counsel so appointed shall represent petitioner throughout the
5 proceedings in the circuit court. The court may not substitute one appointed counsel for another
6 except pursuant to the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services*
7 *Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

8 (5) If counsel appointed by the circuit court determines that the petition as filed by petitioner
9 is defective, either in form or in substance, or both, counsel may move to amend the petition within
10 15 days following counsel's appointment, or within a further period as the court may allow. The
11 amendment shall be permitted as of right at any time during this period. If appointed counsel be-
12 lieves that the original petition cannot be construed to state a ground for relief under ORS 138.510
13 to 138.680, and cannot be amended to state a ground for relief, counsel shall, in lieu of moving to
14 amend the petition, inform the petitioner and notify the circuit court of counsel's belief by filing an
15 affidavit stating the belief and the reasons therefor with the clerk of the circuit court. This affidavit
16 does not constitute a ground for denying the petition prior to a hearing upon its sufficiency, but the
17 circuit court may consider the affidavit in deciding upon the sufficiency of the petition at the
18 hearing.

19 (6) When a petitioner has been ordered to proceed as a financially eligible person, the expenses
20 which are necessary for the proceedings upon the petition in the circuit court and the compensation
21 to appointed counsel for petitioner as provided in this subsection shall be paid by the [*public defense*
22 *services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** from funds available for
23 the purpose. At the conclusion of proceedings on a petition pursuant to ORS 138.510 to 138.680, the
24 [*public defense services*] executive director shall determine and pay, as provided by the policies,
25 procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public**
26 **Defense Commission**, the amount of expenses of petitioner and compensation for the services of
27 appointed counsel in the proceedings in the circuit court.

28 (7) If the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commis-**
29 **sion** denies, in whole or in part, expenses and compensation submitted for review and payment, the
30 person who submitted the payment request may appeal the decision to the presiding judge of the
31 circuit court. The presiding judge or the designee of the presiding judge shall review the [*public*
32 *defense services*] executive director's decision for abuse of discretion. The decision of the presiding
33 judge or the designee of the presiding judge is final.

34 (8)(a) When a petitioner has been authorized to proceed as a financially eligible person, all court
35 fees in the circuit court, except for the filing fee required by ORS 138.560, are waived.

36 (b) When a petitioner is allowed to file a petition without payment of the fee required by ORS
37 138.560 due to inability to pay, the fee is not waived but may be drawn from, or charged against,
38 the petitioner's trust account if the petitioner is an adult in custody in a correctional facility.

39 (9) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a court may not appoint as counsel for
40 a petitioner who has been sentenced to death a counsel who previously represented the petitioner
41 at trial or on automatic and direct review in the case resulting in the death sentence unless the
42 petitioner and the counsel expressly request continued representation.

43 **SECTION 32.** ORS 144.335 is amended to read:

44 144.335. (1) A person over whom the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision exercises
45 its jurisdiction may seek judicial review of a final order of the board as provided in this section if:

1 (a) The person is adversely affected or aggrieved by a final order of the board; and

2 (b) The person has exhausted administrative review as provided by board rule.

3 (2) A person requesting administrative review shall provide the person's current mailing address
4 in the request. The board shall mail its order disposing of the request for administrative review to
5 the person at that address, unless the person has otherwise notified the board in writing of a change
6 of address.

7 (3) The order of the board need not be in any special form, and the order is sufficient for pur-
8 poses of judicial review if it appears that the board acted within the scope of the board's authority.
9 The Court of Appeals may affirm, reverse or remand the order on the same basis as provided in ORS
10 183.482 (8). The filing of the petition shall not stay the board's order, but the board may do so, or
11 the court may order a stay upon application on such terms as it deems proper.

12 (4) If a person described in subsection (1) of this section seeks judicial review of a final order
13 of the board, the person shall file a petition for judicial review with the Court of Appeals within 60
14 days after the date the board mails the order disposing of the person's request for administrative
15 review. The person shall serve a copy of the petition for judicial review on the board.

16 (5) Within 30 days after being served with a copy of the petition for judicial review, or such
17 further time as the court may allow, the board shall:

18 (a) Submit to the court the record of the proceeding or, if the petitioner agrees, a shortened
19 record; and

20 (b) Deliver a copy of the record to the petitioner or the petitioner's attorney, if the petitioner
21 is represented by an attorney.

22 (6) At any time after submission of the petitioner's brief, the court, on its own motion or on
23 motion of the board, without submission of the board's brief and without oral argument, may sum-
24 marily affirm the board's order if the court determines that the judicial review does not present a
25 substantial question of law. Notwithstanding ORS 2.570, the Chief Judge, or other judge of the Court
26 of Appeals designated by the Chief Judge, may, on behalf of the Court of Appeals, deny or, if the
27 petitioner does not oppose the motion, grant the board's motion for summary affirmance. A summary
28 affirmance under this subsection constitutes a decision on the merits of the petitioner's issues on
29 judicial review.

30 (7) During the pendency of judicial review of an order, if the board withdraws the order for the
31 purpose of reconsideration and thereafter issues an order on reconsideration, and the petitioner
32 wishes to proceed with the judicial review, the petitioner need not seek administrative review of the
33 order on reconsideration and need not file a new petition for judicial review. The petitioner shall
34 file, within a time established by the court, a notice of intent to proceed with judicial review.

35 (8) In the case of disputed allegations of irregularities in procedure before the board not shown
36 in the record that, if proved, would warrant reversal or remand, the Court of Appeals may refer the
37 allegations to a master appointed by the court to take evidence and make findings of fact upon them.

38 (9) If the court determines that a brief filed by the petitioner, when liberally construed, fails to
39 state a colorable claim for review, the court may order the petitioner to pay, in addition to the
40 board's recoverable costs, attorney fees incurred by the board not to exceed \$100. If the petitioner
41 moves to dismiss the petition prior to a summary affirmance described in subsection (6) of this sec-
42 tion, the court may not award costs or attorney fees to the board.

43 (10) Upon request by the board, the Department of Corrections may draw from or charge to the
44 petitioner's trust account and pay to the board the amount of any costs or attorney fees awarded
45 to the board by the court in any judicial review under this section.

1 (11) If the petitioner prevails on judicial review and is represented by an attorney funded by the
2 [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**, any recoverable costs
3 shall be paid to the commission.

4 **SECTION 33.** ORS 144.337 is amended to read:

5 144.337. (1) Pursuant to ORS 151.216 and 151.219, the [Public Defense Services Commission]
6 **Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall provide for the representation of financially eligible
7 persons petitioning for review under ORS 144.335.

8 (2) If the commission determines that a person petitioning for review under ORS 144.335 is not
9 financially eligible for appointed counsel at state expense, the commission shall promptly notify the
10 person of the determination and of the person's right to request review of the determination by the
11 Court of Appeals. The person may request review of the commission's determination by filing a
12 motion in the Court of Appeals no later than 60 days after the date of the commission's notice.

13 (3) The determination of the Court of Appeals under subsection (2) of this section as to whether
14 the person is financially eligible is final.

15 **SECTION 34.** ORS 147.537 is amended to read:

16 147.537. (1) Appellate review of an order described in ORS 147.535 (4)(a) must be initiated by
17 filing a notice of interlocutory appeal with the Supreme Court substantially in the form prescribed
18 by rule of the Supreme Court. Review of the order is a matter of right.

19 (2) The person or party filing the notice of interlocutory appeal shall be identified as the
20 appellant and the defendant shall be identified as the respondent. Any other person described in
21 subsection (6)(a) to (f) of this section who is a party to the appeal shall be identified as a respondent.

22 (3) The notice of interlocutory appeal must contain:

23 (a) A designation of those portions of the trial court record, including oral proceedings, to be
24 included in the record on appeal; and

25 (b) A statement of why the notice is timely.

26 (4) The appellant shall include with the notice of interlocutory appeal the following materials:

27 (a) A copy of the order for which appellate review is sought, which must be attached to the
28 notice.

29 (b) Excerpts of the record necessary to determine the question presented and the relief sought.
30 An excerpt of record must include a copy of the form described in ORS 147.515 (2)(a), if the form
31 was completed and provided to the trial court.

32 (c) A memorandum of law containing:

33 (A) A concise but complete statement of facts material to a determination of the question pre-
34 sented and the relief sought; and

35 (B) Supporting arguments and citations of authority.

36 (5) The Supreme Court may:

37 (a) Direct a party to the appeal to supplement the record with a copy of additional parts of the
38 record or a transcript of the parts of the oral proceedings in the trial court necessary to determine
39 the question presented and the relief sought; or

40 (b) Direct the trial court administrator to forward all or part of the trial court record.

41 (6) The appellant shall serve a copy of the notice of interlocutory appeal and the accompanying
42 materials described in subsection (4) of this section on the following other persons:

43 (a) The victim who asserted the claim that resulted in the order being appealed and any victim
44 who asserted a related claim;

45 (b) Any person who filed a response under ORS 147.517 (4) to the claim that resulted in the or-

1 der being appealed or a related claim;

2 (c) Any person who filed the motion that resulted in the order being appealed or a related mo-
3 tion under ORS 147.522;

4 (d) Any person against whom relief was sought in the hearing that resulted in the order being
5 appealed or a related hearing under ORS 147.530;

6 (e) The prosecuting attorney;

7 (f) The Attorney General;

8 (g) The defendant; and

9 (h) The [office of public defense services established under ORS 151.216] **Oregon Public Defense**
10 **Commission**, if the defendant is represented by appointed counsel.

11 (7) The appellant shall serve a copy of the notice of interlocutory appeal on:

12 (a) The trial court administrator; and

13 (b) The trial court transcript coordinator, if the notice of interlocutory appeal contains a des-
14 ignation of the oral proceedings before the trial court as part of the record on appeal.

15 (8)(a) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the appellant shall serve and file the no-
16 tice of interlocutory appeal and, if applicable, the accompanying materials described in subsection
17 (4) of this section within seven days after the date the trial court entered the order being appealed.

18 (b) An appellant who seeks to appeal an order issued under ORS 147.530 and who was not pro-
19 vided with a copy of the order as required by ORS 147.530 (6) may serve and file the notice of
20 interlocutory appeal and, if applicable, the accompanying materials described in subsection (4) of
21 this section within seven days after the date of receiving a copy of the order.

22 (c) The appellant shall serve the prosecuting attorney and the Attorney General so that the copy
23 of the notice of interlocutory appeal and accompanying materials are received on the same day the
24 notice is filed with the Supreme Court.

25 (d) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this subsection, the appellant shall serve all persons
26 described in subsections (6) and (7) of this section so that the copy of the notice of interlocutory
27 appeal and, if applicable, accompanying materials are received no later than one judicial day after
28 the notice is filed.

29 (9) Within three days after receipt of a notice of interlocutory appeal that contains a designation
30 of record under subsection (3) of this section, the trial court administrator shall forward to the Su-
31 preme Court an audio record of the designated oral proceedings.

32 (10) If the Supreme Court directs a party to provide a transcript of oral proceedings under
33 subsection (5) of this section, the party shall provide the transcript to the Supreme Court within
34 seven days after the date of the Supreme Court's order.

35 (11)(a) The following requirements are jurisdictional and may not be waived or extended:

36 (A) The timely filing of the original notice of interlocutory appeal and accompanying materials
37 described in subsection (4) of this section with the Supreme Court; and

38 (B) The service of the notice of interlocutory appeal within the time limits described in sub-
39 section (8) of this section on all persons identified in subsection (6) of this section.

40 (b) Failure to timely serve a true and complete copy of the accompanying materials described
41 in subsection (4) of this section is not jurisdictional, provided that the appellant made a good faith
42 effort to do so and substantially complied with those requirements.

43 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Supreme Court may dismiss the appeal
44 as to any respondent if the appellant, after receipt of a notice of noncompliance, does not promptly
45 cure a deficiency in the materials or if the failure to timely serve a true and complete copy of the

1 accompanying materials substantially prejudices the respondent's ability to respond to the appeal.

2 (12) A respondent may file a response, which must be filed within seven days after the date the
3 notice of interlocutory appeal is filed with the Supreme Court.

4 (13)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the appellant may not file a reply.

5 (b) If the Supreme Court determines that the case is unusually complex, due to the number of
6 persons involved or the existence of novel questions of law, and the court would benefit from addi-
7 tional briefing, the court may extend the briefing schedule described in this section and allow the
8 appellant to file a reply.

9 (14) The appellant or respondent may request oral argument. The Supreme Court may grant or
10 deny a request for oral argument or order oral argument on its own motion.

11 (15) At any time after submission of the appellant's memorandum of law, the Supreme Court, on
12 its own motion or on the motion of the respondent, may summarily affirm the trial court's order,
13 with or without the submission of a response or oral argument, if the Supreme Court determines that
14 the appeal does not present a substantial question of law. A motion for summary affirmance has no
15 effect on the timelines described in this section.

16 (16)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Supreme Court shall issue its
17 decision on appeal under this section within 21 days after the date the notice of interlocutory appeal
18 is filed.

19 (b) The Supreme Court may issue a final decision beyond the 21-day period if the court deter-
20 mines that the ends of justice served by issuing a final decision at a later date outweigh the best
21 interests of the victim, the prosecuting attorney, the defendant, any person against whom relief was
22 ordered and the public.

23 (c) In making the determination under paragraph (b) of this subsection, the Supreme Court shall
24 consider:

25 (A) Whether the case is unusually complex, due to the number of persons involved or the ex-
26 istence of novel questions of law, and whether 21 days is an unreasonable amount of time for the
27 court to issue a decision; and

28 (B) Whether the failure to extend the 21-day period would be likely to result in a miscarriage
29 of justice.

30 (17) Appellate review under this section is confined to the record. The Supreme Court may not
31 substitute its judgment for that of the trial court as to any issue of fact and shall review challenges
32 to a factual finding for evidence in the record to support the finding. The Supreme Court shall re-
33 view for errors of law and, when the law delegates discretion to the trial court, determine whether
34 the trial court's exercise of discretion was outside the range of discretion delegated to the trial
35 court.

36 (18) The Supreme Court may affirm, modify, reverse or remand the trial court's order. The court
37 may reverse or remand the order only if it finds that the order is unlawful in substance or procedure
38 and that the substantial rights of the appellant were prejudiced as a result.

39 (19) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a notice of interlocutory appeal and the re-
40 sponse described in subsection (12) of this section are filed under this section when those documents
41 are physically received by the Supreme Court or, if the documents are filed electronically, as pro-
42 vided by rule of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

43 (20) In addition to any other method authorized by law, service under this section may be ac-
44 complished by electronic mail or facsimile transmission, in a manner consistent with any applicable
45 rules of appellate procedure.

1 **SECTION 35.** ORS 147.560 is amended to read:

2 147.560. (1) There is created the Task Force on Victims' Rights Enforcement consisting of the
3 Attorney General and at least nine members appointed as follows:

4 (a) The Attorney General shall appoint:

5 (A) Two members employed by or associated with a group advocating for the rights of victims
6 of crime;

7 (B) A member who represents the Department of Justice Crime Victims' Services Division;

8 (C) A lawyer routinely engaged in the representation of persons charged with a crime, after
9 consulting with professional organizations serving such lawyers;

10 (D) A lawyer routinely engaged in prosecuting persons charged with person felony crimes, after
11 consulting with professional organizations serving such lawyers;

12 (E) A lawyer routinely engaged in prosecuting persons charged with a crime, after consulting
13 with professional organizations serving such lawyers; and

14 (F) Other persons the Attorney General deems appropriate;

15 (b) The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall appoint:

16 (A) A person employed by the Judicial Department, other than a judge; and

17 (B) A judge; and

18 (c) The executive director of the [*office of public defense services established under ORS*
19 *151.216*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall appoint a person employed by the [*office of*
20 *public defense services*] **commission**.

21 (2) The task force shall review the implementation of ORS 147.500 to 147.550.

22 (3) The Attorney General shall serve as chair of the task force and may establish a term of of-
23 fice for the members. The task force shall meet at times and places specified by the call of the
24 chairperson or of a majority of the members of the task force.

25 (4) Members serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. If there is a vacancy for any
26 cause, the appointing authority shall make an appointment to become immediately effective.

27 (5) The task force may prepare reports that include recommendations for legislation designed
28 to improve, in a cost-efficient manner, the protection of rights granted to victims of crime by the
29 Oregon Constitution. The task force may submit a report prepared under this subsection to the
30 Legislative Assembly in the manner provided in ORS 192.245.

31 (6) Members of the task force are not entitled to compensation or reimbursement for expenses
32 and serve as volunteers on the task force.

33 (7) The Department of Justice shall provide staff support to the task force.

34 (8) All agencies of state government, as defined in ORS 174.111, are directed to assist the task
35 force in the performance of its duties and, to the extent permitted by laws relating to confidentiality,
36 to furnish such information and advice as the members of the task force consider necessary to per-
37 form their duties.

38 **SECTION 36.** ORS 151.485 is amended to read:

39 151.485. (1) For purposes of determining the financial eligibility for appointed counsel of persons
40 with a constitutional or statutory right to counsel in matters before the state courts and whose
41 counsel is authorized to be paid by the [*public defense services*] executive director [*under ORS*
42 *151.219*] **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission**, a person is financially eligible for appointed
43 counsel if the person is determined to be financially unable to retain adequate counsel without
44 substantial hardship in providing basic economic necessities to the person or the person's dependent
45 family under standards established by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public De-**

1 **fense Commission** under ORS 151.216.

2 (2) A determination of financial eligibility shall be made upon the basis of information contained
3 in a detailed financial statement submitted by the person for whom counsel is requested or appointed
4 or, in an appropriate case, by the person's parent, guardian or custodian. The financial statement
5 shall be in the form prescribed by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense**
6 **Commission**. The form shall contain a full disclosure of all assets, liabilities, current income, de-
7 pendents and other information required by ORS 135.050 (4) and, in addition, any information re-
8 quired by the commission and state courts as necessary to determine eligibility. The commission
9 shall adopt uniform statewide guidelines and procedures that prescribe how to use the form and
10 determine financial eligibility for appointed counsel.

11 (3) If at any time after the appointment of counsel the court having jurisdiction of the case finds
12 that the defendant is financially able to obtain counsel, the court may terminate the appointment
13 of counsel. If at any time during criminal proceedings the court having jurisdiction of the case finds
14 that the defendant is financially unable to pay counsel whom the defendant has retained, the court
15 may appoint counsel as provided in this section.

16 (4) In addition to any criminal prosecution, a civil proceeding may be initiated by any public
17 body that has expended moneys for the defendant's legal assistance within two years of judgment
18 if the defendant was not qualified for legal assistance in accordance with subsections (1) and (2) of
19 this section. As used in this subsection, "legal assistance" includes legal counsel, transcripts, wit-
20 ness fees and expenses and any other goods or services required by law to be provided to a finan-
21 cially eligible person at state expense under ORS 151.216 and 151.219.

22 (5) The civil proceeding shall be subject to the exemptions from execution as provided for by
23 law.

24 **SECTION 37.** ORS 151.487 is amended to read:

25 151.487. (1) If in determining that a person is financially eligible for appointed counsel under
26 ORS 151.485, the court finds that the person has financial resources that enable the person to pay
27 in full or in part the administrative costs of determining the eligibility of the person and the costs
28 of the legal and other services to be provided at state expense that are related to the provision of
29 appointed counsel, the court shall enter a limited judgment requiring that the person pay to the
30 Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225, through the clerk of the court, the
31 amount that it finds the person is able to pay without creating substantial hardship in providing
32 basic economic necessities to the person or the person's dependent family. The amount that a court
33 may require the person to pay is subject to the guidelines and procedures issued by the [*Public*
34 *Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** as provided in subsection (4)
35 of this section.

36 (2) Failure to comply with the requirements of a limited judgment entered under this section is
37 not grounds for contempt or grounds for withdrawal by the appointed attorney.

38 (3) Except as authorized in this section, a person, organization or governmental agency may not
39 request or accept a payment or promise of payment for assisting in the representation of a person
40 by appointment.

41 (4) The commission shall promulgate and issue guidelines and procedures:

42 (a) For the determination of persons provided with appointed counsel who have some financial
43 resources to pay in full or in part the administrative, legal and other costs under subsection (1) of
44 this section; and

45 (b) Regarding the amounts persons may be required to pay by a court under subsection (1) of

1 this section.

2 (5) The determination that a person is able to pay or partially able to pay, or that a person no
3 longer has the ability to pay the amount ordered in subsection (1) of this section, is subject to re-
4 view at any time by the court.

5 **SECTION 38.** ORS 151.493 is amended to read:

6 151.493. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any state agency as defined in ORS
7 192.311 that receives a request for release of information from the state courts for the purpose of
8 verifying the financial eligibility of a person under ORS 151.485 to 151.497 shall release all requested
9 information to the state court. The court shall forward to the state agency a certification signed by
10 the person about whom the requested information is sought that authorizes the release of the in-
11 formation.

12 (2) Upon its own motion or motion of the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the**
13 **Oregon Public Defense Commission**, a court that has appointed counsel for a person by reason
14 of financial eligibility may order the release of any information relating to the person's financial
15 situation held by any other person.

16 **SECTION 39.** ORS 151.505 is amended to read:

17 151.505. (1) At the conclusion of a case or matter in which the first accusatory instrument or
18 petition in the trial court was filed after January 1, 1998, and in which the court appointed counsel
19 to represent a person, a trial, appellate or post-conviction court may include in its judgment a
20 money award requiring that the person repay in full or in part the administrative costs of deter-
21 mining the eligibility of the person for appointed counsel, and the costs of the legal and other ser-
22 vices that are related to the provision of appointed counsel, that have not previously been required
23 to be paid under a limited judgment entered under ORS 151.487. An award under this section is a
24 monetary obligation payable to the state.

25 (2) Costs that may be included in a money award under this section include a reasonable at-
26 torney fee for counsel appointed to represent the person and a reasonable amount for expenses au-
27 thorized under ORS 135.055. A reasonable attorney fee is presumed to be a reasonable number of
28 hours at the hourly rate authorized by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public**
29 **Defense Commission** under ORS 151.216. For purposes of this subsection, compensation of counsel
30 is determined by reference to a schedule of compensation established by the commission.

31 (3) The court may not require a person to pay costs under this section unless the person is or
32 may be able to pay the costs. In determining the amount and method of payment of costs, the court
33 shall take account of the financial resources of the person and the nature of the burden that pay-
34 ment of costs will impose.

35 (4)(a) A person who has been required to pay costs under this section and who is not in
36 contumacious default in the payment of the costs may at any time petition the court for remission
37 of the payment of costs or any unpaid portion of the costs. If it appears to the satisfaction of the
38 court that payment of the amount due will impose manifest hardship on the person ordered to repay
39 or on the immediate family of the person, or will interfere with the ability of the person to complete
40 an alcohol or drug treatment program, the court may enter a supplemental judgment that remits all
41 or part of the amount due or modifies the method of payment.

42 (b) In accordance with ORS 144.089, a person may enter into a written agreement to participate
43 in a community service exchange program as an alternative to paying costs imposed under this
44 section.

45 (5) All moneys collected or paid under a money award made pursuant to this section shall be

1 paid into the Criminal Fine Account. If the money award is part of a criminal judgment of con-
2 viction, the award is a Type 2, Level II obligation for the purpose of ORS 137.145 to 137.159.

3 **SECTION 40.** ORS 161.309 is amended to read:

4 161.309. (1) The defendant may not introduce evidence on the issue of insanity under ORS
5 161.295, unless the defendant:

6 (a) Gives notice of intent to do so in the manner provided in subsection (3) of this section; and

7 (b) Files with the court a report of a psychiatric or psychological evaluation, conducted by a
8 certified evaluator, in the manner provided in subsection (4) of this section.

9 (2) The defendant may not introduce in the case in chief expert testimony regarding partial re-
10 sponsibility or diminished capacity under ORS 161.300 unless the defendant gives notice of intent to
11 do so in the manner provided in subsection (3) of this section.

12 (3)(a) A defendant who is required under subsection (1) or (2) of this section to give notice shall
13 file a written notice of purpose at least 45 days before trial.

14 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, the court may, for good cause, permit the
15 defendant to file the notice within 45 days before trial.

16 (c) If the defendant fails to file notice under this subsection, the defendant may not introduce
17 evidence for the establishment of a defense under ORS 161.295 or 161.300 unless the court, in its
18 discretion, permits the evidence to be introduced where just cause for failure to file the notice is
19 shown.

20 (4) A defendant who is required under subsection (1) of this section to file a report of a psy-
21 chiatric or psychological evaluation shall file the report before trial. The report must be based on
22 an evaluation conducted after the date of the alleged offense and must address the issue of insanity
23 under ORS 161.295 and the dispositional determination described in ORS 161.325. If the defendant
24 fails to file a complete report before trial, the defendant may not introduce evidence for the estab-
25 lishment of a defense under ORS 161.295 unless:

26 (a) The court, in its discretion, permits the evidence to be introduced when just cause for failure
27 to file the report is shown; and

28 (b) If the defendant is charged with a felony, the defendant is tried by a jury.

29 (5)(a) A court may not accept a plea of guilty except for insanity to a felony unless a report
30 described in subsection (4) of this section is filed with the court. If the report has not been filed, the
31 court may order that a psychiatric or psychological evaluation of the defendant be conducted by a
32 certified evaluator and a report of the evaluation be filed with the court.

33 (b) When the court orders an evaluation of a financially eligible person under this subsection,
34 the court shall order the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
35 **Commission** to pay a reasonable fee for the evaluation from funds available for that purpose.

36 (c) A certified evaluator performing an evaluation of a defendant on the issue of insanity under
37 this subsection is not obligated to evaluate the defendant for fitness to proceed unless, during the
38 evaluation, the certified evaluator determines that the defendant's fitness to proceed is drawn in
39 question.

40 (6) Prior to accepting a plea of guilty except for insanity to a felony, the court shall inform the
41 defendant of the possibility that the court may order commitment or conditional discharge after
42 entry of judgment, and of the maximum total period of commitment or conditional discharge under
43 ORS 161.327 (7).

44 (7) As used in this section, "certified evaluator" means a psychiatrist or psychologist who holds
45 a valid certification under the provisions of ORS 161.392.

1 **SECTION 41.** ORS 161.346 is amended to read:

2 161.346. (1) When the Psychiatric Security Review Board conducts a hearing under ORS 161.315
3 to 161.351, the board shall enter an order and make findings in support of the order. If the board
4 finds that a person under the jurisdiction of the board:

5 (a) Is no longer affected by a qualifying mental disorder, or, if so affected, no longer presents
6 a substantial danger to others, the board shall order the person discharged from commitment and
7 conditional release.

8 (b) Is still affected by a qualifying mental disorder and is a substantial danger to others, but can
9 be controlled adequately if conditionally released with treatment as a condition of release, the board
10 shall order the person conditionally released as provided in ORS 161.336.

11 (c) Has not recovered from the qualifying mental disorder, is a substantial danger to others and
12 cannot adequately be controlled if conditionally released on supervision, the board shall order the
13 person committed to, or retained in, a state hospital, or if the person is under 18 years of age, a
14 secure intensive community inpatient facility, for care, custody and treatment.

15 (2) To assist the board in making the determination described in subsection (1) of this section,
16 the board may, at any time, appoint a psychiatrist or licensed psychologist to examine the person
17 and to submit a report to the board. The report must include an opinion as to the mental condition
18 of the person, whether the person presents a substantial danger to others and whether the person
19 could be adequately controlled with treatment as a condition of release.

20 (3) The board may make the determination regarding discharge or conditional release based
21 upon the written reports submitted pursuant to this section. If any member of the board desires
22 further information from the examining psychiatrist or licensed psychologist who submitted the re-
23 port, the board shall summon the person to give testimony. The board shall consider all evidence
24 available to it that is material, relevant and reliable regarding the issues before the board. The ev-
25 idence may include but is not limited to the record of trial, the information supplied by the attorney
26 representing the state or by any other interested party, including the person, and information con-
27 cerning the person's mental condition and the entire psychiatric and criminal history of the person.
28 All evidence of a type commonly relied upon by reasonably prudent persons in the conduct of their
29 serious affairs shall be admissible at hearings. Testimony shall be taken upon oath or affirmation
30 of the witness from whom received. The officer presiding at the hearing shall administer oaths or
31 affirmations to witnesses.

32 (4) The board shall furnish to the person about whom the hearing is being conducted, the at-
33 torney representing the person, the Attorney General and the district attorney of the county from
34 which the person was committed written notice of any hearing pending under this section within a
35 reasonable time prior to the hearing. The notice shall include:

36 (a) The time, place and location of the hearing.

37 (b) The nature of the hearing and the specific action for which a hearing has been requested,
38 the issues to be considered at the hearing and a reference to the particular sections of the statutes
39 and rules involved.

40 (c) A statement of the legal authority and jurisdiction under which the hearing is to be held.

41 (d) A statement of all rights under subsection (6) of this section.

42 (5) Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the board shall serve personally or by mail a
43 written notice to each party as provided in ORS 183.413 (2).

44 (6) At the hearing, the person about whom the hearing is being held shall have the right:

45 (a) To appear at all proceedings held pursuant to this section, except for deliberations.

1 (b) To cross-examine all witnesses appearing to testify at the hearing.

2 (c) To subpoena witnesses and documents as provided in ORS 161.395.

3 (d) To be represented by suitable legal counsel possessing skills and experience commensurate
4 with the nature and complexity of the case, to consult with counsel prior to the hearing and, if fi-
5 nancially eligible, to have suitable counsel appointed at state expense.

6 (e) To examine all information, documents and reports that the board considers. If then available
7 to the board, the information, documents and reports shall be disclosed to the person so as to allow
8 examination prior to the hearing.

9 (7) A record shall be kept of all hearings conducted under ORS 161.315 to 161.351, except for
10 deliberations.

11 (8) Upon request of any party, or on motion of the board, the hearing may be continued for a
12 reasonable period not to exceed 60 days to obtain additional information or testimony or for other
13 good cause shown.

14 (9) Within 30 days following the conclusion of the hearing, the board shall provide to the person,
15 the attorney representing the person, the Attorney General or other attorney representing the state,
16 if any, written notice of the order entered by the board.

17 (10) The burden of proof on all issues at hearings under ORS 161.315 to 161.351 shall be by a
18 preponderance of the evidence.

19 (11) If the board determines that the person about whom the hearing is being held is financially
20 eligible, the board shall appoint suitable counsel to represent the person. Counsel so appointed shall
21 be an attorney who satisfies the [*professional qualifications*] **minimum standards** established by the
22 [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** under ORS 151.216. The
23 [*public defense services*] executive director **of the commission** shall determine and allow fair com-
24 pensation for counsel appointed under this subsection and the reasonable expenses of the person in
25 respect to the hearing. Compensation payable to appointed counsel shall not be less than the ap-
26 plicable compensation level established under ORS 151.216. The compensation and expenses so al-
27 lowed shall be paid by the [*public defense services*] executive director from funds available for the
28 purpose.

29 (12) The Attorney General may represent the state at contested hearings under ORS 161.315 to
30 161.351 unless the district attorney of the county from which the person was committed elects to
31 represent the state. The district attorney of the county from which the person was committed shall
32 cooperate with the Attorney General in securing the material necessary for presenting a contested
33 hearing. If the district attorney elects to represent the state, the district attorney shall give timely
34 written notice of such election to the Attorney General, the board and the attorney representing the
35 person.

36 **SECTION 42.** ORS 161.348 is amended to read:

37 161.348. (1) When a person over whom the Psychiatric Security Review Board exercises juris-
38 diction under ORS 161.315 to 161.351 or 419C.544 is adversely affected or aggrieved by a final order
39 of the board, the person is entitled to judicial review of the final order. The person is entitled on
40 judicial review to suitable counsel possessing skills and experience commensurate with the nature
41 and complexity of the case. If the person is financially eligible, suitable counsel shall be appointed
42 by the reviewing court in the manner provided in ORS 138.500 (1). If the person is financially eligi-
43 ble, the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission**
44 shall determine and pay, as provided in ORS 138.500, the cost of briefs, any other expenses of the
45 person necessary to the review and compensation for counsel appointed for the person. The costs,

1 expenses and compensation so allowed shall be paid as provided in ORS 138.500.

2 (2) The order and the proceedings underlying the order are subject to review by the Court of
3 Appeals upon petition to that court filed within 60 days of the order for which review is sought. The
4 board shall submit to the court the record of the proceeding or, if the person agrees, a shortened
5 record. The record may include a certified true copy of a tape recording of the proceedings at a
6 hearing in accordance with ORS 161.346. A copy of the record transmitted shall be delivered to the
7 person by the board.

8 (3) The court may affirm, reverse or remand the order on the same basis as provided in ORS
9 183.482 (8).

10 (4) The filing of the petition does not stay the order of the board, but the board or the Court
11 of Appeals may order a stay upon application on such terms as are deemed proper.

12 **SECTION 43.** ORS 161.365 is amended to read:

13 161.365. (1)(a) When the court has reason to doubt the defendant's fitness to proceed by reason
14 of incapacity as described in ORS 161.360, the court may call any witness to assist it in reaching
15 its decision and, except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, shall order that a community
16 mental health program director, or the director's designee, consult with the defendant and with any
17 local entity that would be responsible for providing community restoration services to the defendant
18 if the defendant were to be released in the community, to determine whether appropriate community
19 restoration services are present and available in the community. After the consultation, the program
20 director or the director's designee shall provide to the court a copy of the findings resulting from
21 the consultation.

22 (b) If the defendant is charged with one or more of the following offenses the court is not re-
23 quired to, but may in its discretion, order the consultation described in paragraph (a) of this sub-
24 section:

25 (A) Aggravated murder;

26 (B) Murder in any degree;

27 (C) Attempted aggravated murder;

28 (D) Attempted murder in any degree;

29 (E) Manslaughter in any degree;

30 (F) Aggravated vehicular homicide;

31 (G) Arson in the first degree when classified as crime category 10 of the sentencing guidelines
32 grid of the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission;

33 (H) Assault in the first degree;

34 (I) Assault in the second degree;

35 (J) Kidnapping in the first degree;

36 (K) Kidnapping in the second degree;

37 (L) Rape in the first degree;

38 (M) Sodomy in the first degree;

39 (N) Unlawful sexual penetration in the first degree;

40 (O) Robbery in the first degree; or

41 (P) Robbery in the second degree.

42 (c) If the court determines the assistance of a psychiatrist or psychologist would be helpful, the
43 court may:

44 (A) Order that a psychiatric or psychological examination of the defendant be conducted by a
45 certified evaluator and a report of the examination be prepared; or

1 (B) Order the defendant to be committed for the purpose of an examination to a state mental
2 hospital or other facility designated by the Oregon Health Authority if the defendant is at least 18
3 years of age, or to a secure intensive community inpatient facility designated by the authority if the
4 defendant is under 18 years of age. The state mental hospital or other facility may retain custody
5 of a defendant committed under this paragraph for the duration necessary to complete the exam-
6 ination of the defendant, not to exceed 30 days. The examination may include a period of observa-
7 tion.

8 (d) The court shall provide a copy of any order entered under this subsection to the community
9 mental health program director or designee and to the state mental hospital or other facility by the
10 end of the next judicial day.

11 (2)(a) A defendant committed under subsection (1)(c)(B) of this section shall be transported to
12 the state mental hospital or other facility for the examination.

13 (b) At the conclusion of the examination, the superintendent of the state mental hospital or the
14 superintendent's designee or the director of the facility may:

15 (A) Return the defendant to the facility from which the defendant was transported; or

16 (B) Inform the court and the parties that the defendant requires a hospital level of care due to
17 the acuity of symptoms of the defendant's qualifying mental disorder and request that the defendant
18 remain at the state mental hospital or other facility pending a hearing or order under ORS 161.370.

19 (3) The report of an examination described in this section must include, but is not necessarily
20 limited to, the following:

21 (a) A description of the nature of the examination;

22 (b) A statement of the mental condition of the defendant;

23 (c) If the defendant suffers from a qualifying mental disorder, an opinion as to whether the de-
24 fendant is incapacitated within the description set out in ORS 161.360; and

25 (d) If the defendant is incapacitated within the description set out in ORS 161.360, a recom-
26 mendation of treatment and services necessary to allow the defendant to gain or regain capacity,
27 including whether a hospital level of care is required due to the acuity of symptoms of the
28 defendant's qualifying mental disorder.

29 (4) Except when the defendant and the court both request to the contrary, the report may not
30 contain any findings or conclusions as to whether the defendant as a result of a qualifying mental
31 disorder was subject to the provisions of ORS 161.295 or 161.300 at the time of the criminal act
32 charged.

33 (5) If the examination by the certified evaluator cannot be conducted by reason of the unwill-
34 ingness of the defendant to participate in the examination, the report must so state and must in-
35 clude, if possible, an opinion as to whether the unwillingness of the defendant was the result of a
36 qualifying mental disorder affecting fitness to proceed.

37 (6) The report resulting from the examination of a defendant under this section may be filed
38 electronically and must be filed with the clerk of the court, who shall cause copies to be delivered
39 to the district attorney and to counsel for defendant.

40 (7)(a) When upon motion of the court or a financially eligible defendant, the court has ordered
41 a psychiatric or psychological examination of the defendant, a county or justice court shall order
42 the county to pay, a municipal court shall order the city to pay, and a circuit court shall order the
43 [public defense services] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** to pay from
44 funds available for the purpose:

45 (A) A reasonable fee if the examination of the defendant is conducted by a certified evaluator

1 in private practice; and

2 (B) All costs including transportation of the defendant if the examination is conducted by a
3 certified evaluator in the employ of the Oregon Health Authority or a community mental health
4 program established under ORS 430.610 to 430.670.

5 (b) When an examination is ordered at the request or with the acquiescence of a defendant who
6 is determined not to be financially eligible, the examination shall be performed at the defendant's
7 expense. When an examination is ordered at the request of the prosecution, the county shall pay for
8 the expense of the examination.

9 (8) The Oregon Health Authority shall establish by rule standards for the consultation described
10 in subsection (1) of this section.

11 **SECTION 44.** ORS 161.665 is amended to read:

12 161.665. (1) Except as provided in ORS 151.505, the court, only in the case of a defendant for
13 whom it enters a judgment of conviction, may include in its sentence thereunder a money award for
14 all costs specially incurred by the state in prosecuting the defendant. Costs include a reasonable
15 attorney fee for counsel appointed pursuant to ORS 135.045 or 135.050 and a reasonable amount for
16 fees and expenses incurred pursuant to preauthorization under ORS 135.055. A reasonable attorney
17 fee is presumed to be a reasonable number of hours at the hourly rate authorized by the [*Public*
18 *Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** under ORS 151.216. Costs do
19 not include expenses inherent in providing a constitutionally guaranteed jury trial or expenditures
20 in connection with the maintenance and operation of government agencies that must be made by the
21 public irrespective of specific violations of law.

22 (2) Except as provided in ORS 151.505, the court, after the conclusion of an appeal of its initial
23 judgment of conviction, may include in its general judgment, or enter a supplemental judgment that
24 includes, a money award that requires a convicted defendant to pay a reasonable attorney fee for
25 counsel appointed pursuant to ORS 138.500, including counsel who is appointed under ORS 151.216
26 or counsel who is under contract to provide services for the proceeding under ORS 151.219, and
27 other costs and expenses allowed by the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon**
28 **Public Defense Commission** under ORS 138.500 (4). A reasonable attorney fee is presumed to be
29 a reasonable number of hours at the hourly rate authorized by the commission under ORS 151.216.

30 (3) For purposes of subsections (1) and (2) of this section, compensation of counsel is determined
31 by reference to a schedule of compensation established by the commission under ORS 151.216.

32 (4) The court may not sentence a defendant to pay costs under this section unless the defendant
33 is or may be able to pay them. In determining the amount and method of payment of costs, the court
34 shall take account of the financial resources of the defendant and the nature of the burden that
35 payment of costs will impose.

36 (5) A defendant who has been sentenced to pay costs under this section and who is not in
37 contumacious default in the payment of costs may at any time petition the court that sentenced the
38 defendant for remission of the payment of costs or of any unpaid portion of costs. If it appears to
39 the satisfaction of the court that payment of the amount due will impose manifest hardship on the
40 defendant or the immediate family of the defendant, the court may enter a supplemental judgment
41 that remits all or part of the amount due in costs, or modifies the method of payment under ORS
42 161.675.

43 (6) Except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, all moneys collected or paid under this
44 section shall be paid into the Criminal Fine Account.

45 (7) The court may, in the judgment of conviction, include a money award requiring the defendant

1 to pay the costs of extraditing the defendant to this state. Any amounts awarded to the state under
2 this subsection must be listed separately in the money award portion of the judgment. All moneys
3 collected or paid under this subsection shall be deposited into the Arrest and Return Account es-
4 tablished by ORS 133.865.

5 **SECTION 45.** ORS 171.133 is amended to read:

6 171.133. (1) A state agency shall not cause a bill or measure to be introduced before the Legis-
7 lative Assembly if the bill or measure has not been approved by the Governor.

8 (2) As used in ORS 171.130 and this section, “state agency” means every state agency whose
9 costs are paid wholly or in part from funds held in the State Treasury, except:

10 (a) The Legislative Assembly, the courts and their officers and committees;

11 (b) The [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**; and

12 (c) The Secretary of State, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of
13 the Bureau of Labor and Industries.

14 **SECTION 46.** ORS 181A.010 is amended to read:

15 181A.010. As used in ORS 181A.010 to 181A.350, unless the context requires otherwise:

16 (1) “Criminal justice agency” means:

17 (a) The Governor;

18 (b) Courts of criminal jurisdiction;

19 (c) The Attorney General;

20 (d) District attorneys, city attorneys with criminal prosecutorial functions, attorney employees
21 of the [*office of public defense services*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** and nonprofit public
22 defender organizations established under contract with the [*Public Defense Services*] commission;

23 (e) Law enforcement agencies;

24 (f) The Department of Corrections;

25 (g) The Oregon Youth Authority;

26 (h) The State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision;

27 (i) The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training;

28 (j) The enforcement division of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission in performing du-
29 ties related to investigating and enforcing the criminal laws of this state that the commission is
30 charged to enforce;

31 (k) Civilian or community oversight boards, agencies or review bodies designated by a munici-
32 pality or a law enforcement agency in performing duties related to investigating allegations of offi-
33 cer misconduct or reviewing police policies and practices;

34 (L) Regional information systems that share programs to track, identify and remove cross-
35 jurisdictional criminal and terrorist conspiracies; and

36 (m) Any other state or local agency with law enforcement authority.

37 (2) “Criminal offender information” includes records and related data as to physical description
38 and vital statistics, fingerprints received and compiled for purposes of identifying criminal offenders
39 and alleged offenders, records of arrests and the nature and disposition of criminal charges, includ-
40 ing sentencing, confinement, parole and release.

41 (3) “Department” means the Department of State Police established under ORS 181A.015.

42 (4) “Deputy superintendent” means the Deputy Superintendent of State Police appointed under
43 ORS 181A.035.

44 (5) “Designated agency” means any state, county or municipal government agency where Oregon
45 criminal offender information is required to implement a federal or state statute, executive order

1 or administrative rule that expressly refers to criminal conduct and contains requirements or ex-
2 clusions expressly based on such conduct or for agency employment purposes, licensing purposes or
3 other demonstrated and legitimate needs when designated by order of the Governor.

4 (6) "Disposition report" means a form or process prescribed or furnished by the department,
5 containing a description of the ultimate action taken subsequent to an arrest.

6 (7) "Law enforcement agency" means:

7 (a) County sheriffs, municipal police departments, police departments established by a university
8 under ORS 352.121 or 353.125 and state police;

9 (b) Other police officers of this state or another state, including humane special agents as de-
10 fined in ORS 181A.345;

11 (c) A tribal government as defined in ORS 181A.940 that employs authorized tribal police officers
12 as defined in ORS 181A.940; and

13 (d) Law enforcement agencies of the federal government.

14 (8) "State police" means the sworn members of the state police force appointed under ORS
15 181A.050.

16 (9) "Superintendent" means the Superintendent of State Police appointed under ORS 181A.030.

17 **SECTION 47.** ORS 190.490 is amended to read:

18 190.490. (1) Every agreement entered into under ORS 190.485 shall be submitted to the Attorney
19 General before taking effect. The Attorney General shall determine whether the agreement is in
20 proper form and compatible with the laws of this state. If the Attorney General determines that the
21 agreement is improper in some respect, the Attorney General shall give written notice to the state
22 agency concerning the specific respects in which the agreement fails to comply with law. Failure
23 of the Attorney General to give such notice to the state agency within 30 days of submission of the
24 agreement to the Attorney General's office shall constitute approval of the agreement. The Attorney
25 General may exempt certain agreements, classes of agreements or form agreements from the re-
26 quirement that the agreement be approved by the Attorney General before taking effect.

27 (2) The state agency shall file any agreement made under ORS 190.485 with the Oregon De-
28 partment of Administrative Services within 30 days of the effective date of the agreement. The de-
29 partment may adopt rules necessary for the administration of this subsection.

30 (3) This section does not apply to the Legislative Assembly, the courts and their officers and
31 committees, the Secretary of State and the State Treasurer in the performance of the duties of their
32 constitutional offices and the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Com-**
33 **mission.**

34 **SECTION 48.** ORS 244.050, as amended by section 1, chapter 66, Oregon Laws 2022, is amended
35 to read:

36 244.050. (1) On or before April 15 of each year the following persons shall file with the Oregon
37 Government Ethics Commission a verified statement of economic interest as required under this
38 chapter:

39 (a) The Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, Commissioner of the
40 Bureau of Labor and Industries, district attorneys and members of the Legislative Assembly.

41 (b) Any judicial officer, including justices of the peace and municipal judges, except any pro tem
42 judicial officer who does not otherwise serve as a judicial officer.

43 (c) Any candidate for a public office designated in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection.

44 (d) The Deputy Attorney General.

45 (e) The Deputy Secretary of State.

1 (f) The Legislative Administrator, the Legislative Counsel, the Legislative Fiscal Officer, the
2 Legislative Policy and Research Director, the Secretary of the Senate, the Chief Clerk of the House
3 of Representatives and the Legislative Equity Officer.

4 (g) The president and vice presidents, or their administrative equivalents, in each public uni-
5 versity listed in ORS 352.002.

6 (h) The following state officers:

7 (A) Adjutant General.

8 (B) Director of Agriculture.

9 (C) Manager of State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation.

10 (D) Water Resources Director.

11 (E) Director of the Department of Environmental Quality.

12 (F) Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

13 (G) State Fish and Wildlife Director.

14 (H) State Forester.

15 (I) State Geologist.

16 (J) Director of Human Services.

17 (K) Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

18 (L) Director of the Department of State Lands.

19 (M) State Librarian.

20 (N) Administrator of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission.

21 (O) Superintendent of State Police.

22 (P) Director of the Public Employees Retirement System.

23 (Q) Director of Department of Revenue.

24 (R) Director of Transportation.

25 (S) Public Utility Commissioner.

26 (T) Director of Veterans' Affairs.

27 (U) Executive director of Oregon Government Ethics Commission.

28 (V) Director of the State Department of Energy.

29 (W) Director and each assistant director of the Oregon State Lottery.

30 (X) Director of the Department of Corrections.

31 (Y) Director of the Oregon Department of Aviation.

32 (Z) Executive director of the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission.

33 (AA) Director of the Oregon Business Development Department.

34 (BB) Director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management.

35 (CC) Director of the Employment Department.

36 (DD) State Fire Marshal.

37 (EE) Chief of staff for the Governor.

38 (FF) Director of the Housing and Community Services Department.

39 (GG) State Court Administrator.

40 (HH) Director of the Department of Land Conservation and Development.

41 (II) Board chairperson of the Land Use Board of Appeals.

42 (JJ) State Marine Director.

43 (KK) Executive director of the Oregon Racing Commission.

44 (LL) State Parks and Recreation Director.

45 (MM) [*Public defense services*] Executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

- 1 (NN) Chairperson of the Public Employees' Benefit Board.
- 2 (OO) Director of the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.
- 3 (PP) Executive director of the Higher Education Coordinating Commission.
- 4 (QQ) Executive director of the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.
- 5 (RR) Director of the Oregon Youth Authority.
- 6 (SS) Director of the Oregon Health Authority.
- 7 (TT) Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction.
- 8 (i) The First Partner, the legal counsel, the deputy legal counsel and all policy advisors within
- 9 the Governor's office.
- 10 (j) Every elected city or county official.
- 11 (k) Every member of a city or county planning, zoning or development commission.
- 12 (L) The chief executive officer of a city or county who performs the duties of manager or prin-
- 13 cipal administrator of the city or county.
- 14 (m) Members of local government boundary commissions formed under ORS 199.410 to 199.519.
- 15 (n) Every member of a governing body of a metropolitan service district and the auditor and
- 16 executive officer thereof.
- 17 (o) Each member of the board of directors of the State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation.
- 18 (p) The chief administrative officer and the financial officer of each common and union high
- 19 school district, education service district and community college district.
- 20 (q) Every member of the following state boards, commissions and councils:
- 21 (A) Governing board of the State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries.
- 22 (B) Oregon Business Development Commission.
- 23 (C) State Board of Education.
- 24 (D) Environmental Quality Commission.
- 25 (E) Fish and Wildlife Commission of the State of Oregon.
- 26 (F) State Board of Forestry.
- 27 (G) Oregon Government Ethics Commission.
- 28 (H) Oregon Health Policy Board.
- 29 (I) Oregon Investment Council.
- 30 (J) Land Conservation and Development Commission.
- 31 (K) Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission.
- 32 (L) Oregon Short Term Fund Board.
- 33 (M) State Marine Board.
- 34 (N) Mass transit district boards.
- 35 (O) Energy Facility Siting Council.
- 36 (P) Board of Commissioners of the Port of Portland.
- 37 (Q) Employment Relations Board.
- 38 (R) Public Employees Retirement Board.
- 39 (S) Oregon Racing Commission.
- 40 (T) Oregon Transportation Commission.
- 41 (U) Water Resources Commission.
- 42 (V) Workers' Compensation Board.
- 43 (W) Oregon Facilities Authority.
- 44 (X) Oregon State Lottery Commission.
- 45 (Y) Pacific Northwest Electric Power and Conservation Planning Council.

- 1 (Z) Columbia River Gorge Commission.
2 (AA) Oregon Health and Science University Board of Directors.
3 (BB) Capitol Planning Commission.
4 (CC) Higher Education Coordinating Commission.
5 (DD) Oregon Growth Board.
6 (EE) Early Learning Council.
7 (FF) The Oversight and Accountability Council.
8 (r) The following officers of the State Treasurer:
9 (A) Deputy State Treasurer.
10 (B) Chief of staff for the office of the State Treasurer.
11 (C) Director of the Investment Division.
12 (s) Every member of the board of commissioners of a port governed by ORS 777.005 to 777.725
13 or 777.915 to 777.953.
14 (t) Every member of the board of directors of an authority created under ORS 441.525 to 441.595.
15 (u) Every member of a governing board of a public university listed in ORS 352.002.
16 (v) Every member of the district school board of a common school district or union high school
17 district.
18 (w) Every member of the board of directors of an authority created under ORS 465.600 to
19 465.621.
20 (2) By April 15 next after the date an appointment takes effect, every appointed public official
21 on a board or commission listed in subsection (1) of this section shall file with the Oregon Govern-
22 ment Ethics Commission a statement of economic interest as required under ORS 244.060, 244.070
23 and 244.090.
24 (3) By April 15 next after the filing deadline for the primary election, each candidate described
25 in subsection (1) of this section shall file with the commission a statement of economic interest as
26 required under ORS 244.060, 244.070 and 244.090.
27 (4) Not later than the 40th day before the date of the statewide general election, each candidate
28 described in subsection (1) of this section who will appear on the statewide general election ballot
29 and who was not required to file a statement of economic interest under subsections (1) to (3) of this
30 section shall file with the commission a statement of economic interest as required under ORS
31 244.060, 244.070 and 244.090.
32 (5) Subsections (1) to (3) of this section apply only to persons who are incumbent, elected or
33 appointed public officials as of April 15 and to persons who are candidates on April 15.
34 (6) If a statement required to be filed under this section has not been received by the commis-
35 sion within five days after the date the statement is due, the commission shall notify the public of-
36 ficial or candidate and give the public official or candidate not less than 15 days to comply with the
37 requirements of this section. If the public official or candidate fails to comply by the date set by the
38 commission, the commission may impose a civil penalty as provided in ORS 244.350.
39 **SECTION 49.** ORS 283.110 is amended to read:
40 283.110. (1) Subject to rules prescribed by the Oregon Department of Administrative Services,
41 any state agency shall, as its own facilities permit, furnish to any other state agency such services
42 (including labor), facilities and materials as are requisitioned by the head of another agency. The
43 expense shall be charged to the agency served, which shall pay the expense to the agency furnishing
44 the services, facilities or materials in the manner other claims are paid. Agencies shall, as far as
45 practicable, cooperate with one another in the use of services, quarters and equipment.

1 (2) Except as provided in ORS 283.076 (3), all moneys received by an agency in payment of ser-
 2 vices, facilities or materials furnished to another state agency as provided in this section, or in
 3 payment of services, facilities or materials furnished to other persons may be, or if required by the
 4 Oregon Department of Administrative Services, shall be paid into the State Treasury for deposit to
 5 the credit of the miscellaneous receipts account established pursuant to ORS 279A.290 for the
 6 agency furnishing the services, facilities or materials.

7 (3) The constitutional state officers and the Legislative Assembly or any of its statutory, stand-
 8 ing, special or interim committees, unless prohibited by law, may elect to furnish services, facilities
 9 and materials to one another and to state agencies and officers as defined in ORS 291.002, and the
 10 courts, constitutional state officers, the Legislative Assembly or any of its statutory, standing, spe-
 11 cial or interim committees and the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense**
 12 **Commission** may elect to requisition services, facilities and materials as provided in this section.

13 **SECTION 50.** ORS 291.002 is amended to read:

14 291.002. As used in ORS 291.001 to 291.034, 291.201 to 291.222, 291.232 to 291.260, 291.261,
 15 291.307 and 291.990, unless the context requires otherwise:

16 (1) "Classification of expenditures" means the categories of expenses for the purpose of budget-
 17 making and accounting that are provided in ORS 291.216 (6)(a).

18 (2) "Dedicated fund" means a fund in the State Treasury, or a separate account or fund in the
 19 General Fund in the State Treasury, that by law is dedicated, appropriated or set aside for a limited
 20 object or purpose, but "dedicated fund" does not include a revolving fund or a trust fund.

21 (3) "Department" means the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

22 (4) "Director" means the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services.

23 (5) "Legislatively adopted budget" means the budget enacted by the Legislative Assembly during
 24 an odd-numbered year regular session for the biennium beginning July 1 of the year in which the
 25 regular session begins.

26 (6) "Legislatively approved budget" means the legislatively adopted budget as modified by the
 27 Emergency Board meeting in an interim period or by the Legislative Assembly meeting in special
 28 session or in an even-numbered year regular session.

29 (7) "Revolving fund" means a fund in the State Treasury, established by law, from which is paid
 30 the cost of goods or services furnished to or by a state agency, and which is replenished through
 31 charges made for such goods or services or through transfers from other accounts or funds.

32 (8) "State agency" or "agency" means every state officer, board, commission, department, insti-
 33 tution, branch or agency of the state government, whose costs are paid wholly or in part from funds
 34 held in the State Treasury, except:

35 (a) The Legislative Assembly, the courts and their officers and committees;

36 (b) The [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**; and

37 (c) The Secretary of State and the State Treasurer in the performance of the duties of their
 38 constitutional offices.

39 (9) "State officer" means any elected or appointed state officer, including members of boards and
 40 commissions, except the members and officers of the Legislative Assembly, the courts, the Secretary
 41 of State and the State Treasurer in the performance of the duties of their constitutional offices and
 42 the members of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

43 (10) "Trust fund" means a fund in the State Treasury in which designated persons or classes of
 44 persons have a vested beneficial interest or equitable ownership, or which was created or estab-
 45 lished by a gift, grant, contribution, devise or bequest that limits the use of the fund to designated

1 objects or purposes.

2 **SECTION 51.** ORS 291.011 is amended to read:

3 291.011. (1) The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services may require a
4 fidelity bond of any officer, employee or agent of the department or of any other state officer, em-
5 ployee or agent who has charge of, handles or has access to any money or property belonging to the
6 state or in which the state may have an interest and who is not otherwise required by law to give
7 a fidelity bond. The amounts of the bonds shall be fixed by the director, except as otherwise pro-
8 vided by law, and the sureties shall be approved by the director. The premium on the bond of any
9 officer, employee or agent shall be paid by the state agency that employs the officer, employee or
10 agent.

11 (2) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services may procure or provide and may admin-
12 ister a blanket bond covering any or all officers and employees of the state. The bond shall contain
13 such coverages and shall be in such amounts as the Oregon Department of Administrative Services
14 deems adequate to protect the interest of the state. Procurement of the bond to cover any officer
15 or employee of the state shall constitute compliance with any statute requiring that officer or em-
16 ployee to be bonded up to the monetary limit of the blanket bond which the Oregon Department of
17 Administrative Services purchases or provides. The coverage and insuring amount applicable in such
18 bond to any officer or employee of the state shall be at least equal to that required by statute. The
19 cost of the premium on the bond shall be charged to the various state agencies employing the state
20 officers and employees covered by the bond.

21 (3) The provisions of this section are considered to satisfy any provision of law requiring indi-
22 vidual fidelity bonds for elected officers if the level of coverage of the blanket fidelity bond is at
23 least equal to the individual statutory requirements.

24 (4) As used in this section:

25 (a) "Officers and employees of the state" includes all elected and appointed officers and em-
26 ployees of the State of Oregon and all persons appointed by a state agency on a temporary or in-
27 termittent basis to act for the state in particular matters where such persons have charge of, handle
28 or have access to any money or property belonging to the state or in which the state may have an
29 interest.

30 (b) "State agency" means every state officer, board, commission, department, institution, branch
31 or agency of the state government and includes the Legislative Assembly and any of its statutory
32 standing, special or interim committees, the courts and their officers and committees, all constitu-
33 tional state officers and the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Com-**
34 **mission.**

35 **SECTION 52.** ORS 291.030 is amended to read:

36 291.030. As used in ORS 291.032 and 291.034, "state agency" or "agency" includes the Legisla-
37 tive Assembly, at its option, or any of its statutory, standing, special or interim committees, at the
38 option of such committee, the courts and their officers and committees and the constitutional state
39 officers, at their option, and the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense**
40 **Commission,** at the option of the commission.

41 **SECTION 53.** ORS 291.045 is amended to read:

42 291.045. As used in this section and ORS 291.047:

43 (1) "Information technology" includes, but is not limited to, all present and future forms of
44 hardware, software and services for data processing, office automation and telecommunications.

45 (2) "State agency" includes every state officer, board, commission, department, institution,

1 branch or agency of the state government, whose costs are paid wholly or in part from funds held
2 in the State Treasury, except:

3 (a) The Legislative Assembly, the courts and their officers and committees; and

4 (b) The [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**.

5 (3) "Public contract" means any acquisition, disposition, purchase, lease, sale or transfer of
6 rights by a state agency of real or personal property, public improvements or services.

7 (4) "Public improvement" means projects for construction, reconstruction or renovation on real
8 property by or for a state agency.

9 **SECTION 54.** ORS 291.227 is amended to read:

10 291.227. (1)(a) As part of the development of the legislatively adopted budget, each state agency
11 that employs more than 100 employees shall report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means the
12 state agency's maximum supervisory ratio for the biennium.

13 (b) Before submitting the report to the committee, a state agency shall provide a copy of the
14 report to all labor organizations that represent employees of the state agency.

15 (2) A state agency must determine its maximum supervisory ratio by starting from a baseline
16 ratio of one to 11 and adjusting the ratio based on some or all of the following factors:

17 (a) Safety of the public or of state agency employees;

18 (b) Geographic location of the agency's employees;

19 (c) Complexity of the agency's duties;

20 (d) Industry best practices and standards;

21 (e) Size and hours of operation of the agency;

22 (f) Unique personnel needs of the agency, including the agency's use of volunteers or seasonal
23 or temporary employees, or the exercise of supervisory authority by agency supervisory employees
24 over personnel who are not agency employees; and

25 (g) Financial scope and responsibility of the agency.

26 (3) The Joint Committee on Ways and Means shall review the maximum supervisory ratios re-
27 ported by state agencies.

28 (4) Subject to subsection (5) of this section, a state agency whose actual supervisory ratio is
29 greater than its maximum supervisory ratio may not fill a supervisory position.

30 (5)(a) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services may exempt a state agency from the
31 limitations of subsection (4) of this section if the department determines that an additional supervi-
32 sory position is reasonably necessary to the state agency. The department must make the determi-
33 nation with reference to some or all of the factors set forth in subsection (2) of this section.

34 (b) At least five business days before granting an exemption under this subsection, the depart-
35 ment shall notify all labor organizations that represent employees of the state agency of its intent
36 to grant the exemption.

37 (6)(a) The department shall, once per quarter, produce reports on the actual supervisory ratio
38 of each state agency. The reports must include data on job families within each state agency to the
39 extent such data is reasonably available.

40 (b) The department shall make the reports publicly available on the Internet and shall notify
41 all labor organizations that represent state employees when the reports are available.

42 (7) The department may adopt rules for the administration of this section, including rules gov-
43 erning how temporary, seasonal or part-time employees are accounted for in the calculation of a
44 supervisory ratio.

45 (8) As used in this section:

1 (a) "Job families" means groups of occupations based upon work performed, skills, education,
2 training and credentials.

3 (b) "Legislatively adopted budget" has the meaning given that term in ORS 291.002.

4 (c)(A) "State agency" means all state officers, boards, commissions, departments, institutions,
5 branches, agencies, divisions and other entities, without regard to the designation given to those
6 entities, that are within the executive branch of government as described in Article III, section 1,
7 of the Oregon Constitution.

8 (B) "State agency" does not include:

9 (i) The legislative department as defined in ORS 174.114;

10 (ii) The judicial department as defined in ORS 174.113;

11 (iii) The [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**;

12 (iv) The Secretary of State and the State Treasurer;

13 (v) Semi-independent state agencies listed in ORS 182.454;

14 (vi) The Oregon Tourism Commission;

15 (vii) The Oregon Film and Video Office;

16 (viii) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002;

17 (ix) The Oregon Health and Science University;

18 (x) The Travel Information Council;

19 (xi) Oregon Corrections Enterprises;

20 (xii) The Oregon State Lottery Commission;

21 (xiii) The State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation;

22 (xiv) The Oregon Utility Notification Center;

23 (xv) Oregon Community Power;

24 (xvi) The Citizens' Utility Board;

25 (xvii) A special government body as defined in ORS 174.117;

26 (xviii) Any other public corporation created under a statute of this state and specifically desig-
27 nated as a public corporation; and

28 (xix) Any other semi-independent state agency denominated by statute as a semi-independent
29 state agency.

30 (d) "Supervisory employee" has the meaning given that term in ORS 243.650.

31 (e) "Supervisory ratio" means the ratio of employees who are supervisory employees to em-
32 ployees who are not supervisory employees.

33 **SECTION 55.** ORS 293.300 is amended to read:

34 293.300. Except for claims based on obligations incurred or expenditures made by the Legislative
35 Assembly and its officers and committees, the courts and their officers and committees, the Secre-
36 tary of State and State Treasurer in the performance of the functions of their constitutional offices
37 and the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**, a claim for
38 payment from any moneys in the State Treasury may not be paid if the claim is disapproved by the
39 Oregon Department of Administrative Services. The department shall disapprove a claim if provision
40 for payment thereof is not made by law and appropriation, the obligation or expenditure on which
41 the claim is based is not authorized as provided by law or the claim does not otherwise satisfy re-
42 quirements as provided by law.

43 **SECTION 56.** ORS 293.590 is amended to read:

44 293.590. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall direct and control the ac-
45 counting for all the fiscal affairs of the state government and agencies thereof, and shall provide for

1 the maintenance of accounting records, including accounts stated in summary or in detail, for those
 2 fiscal affairs. The department is responsible for establishing and maintaining systems of accounting
 3 for state government and agencies thereof. The principles, standards and related requirements of
 4 those systems of accounting shall be as prescribed by the department and except as otherwise pro-
 5 vided in this section shall be used by the state agencies thereof, unless otherwise directed by the
 6 department.

7 (2) In performing its functions under subsection (1) of this section, the department shall consult
 8 with the Secretary of State, State Treasurer and, to the extent it considers necessary or desirable,
 9 any other state agency or any federal agency.

10 (3) The department may, as its own facilities permit, furnish to any other state agency such
 11 accounting services (including labor), facilities and materials as are necessary, as determined by the
 12 department, for compliance by the state agency with subsection (1) of this section. The cost to the
 13 department of furnishing the services, facilities and materials, as determined by the department,
 14 shall be charged to the state agency and paid to the department in the same manner as other claims
 15 against the state agency are paid.

16 (4) This section is applicable to the Legislative Assembly and its officers and committees, the
 17 courts and their officers and committees, the Secretary of State and State Treasurer in the per-
 18 formance of the functions of their constitutional offices and the [*Public Defense Services*
 19 *Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** only at their option.

20 **SECTION 57.** ORS 293.875 is amended to read:

21 293.875. (1) The State Treasurer is designated the sole banking and cash management officer for
 22 the state and may review, establish and modify procedures for the efficient handling of moneys under
 23 the control of the State Treasury, the Secretary of State, the Judicial Department, the Legislative
 24 Assembly, the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** and state
 25 agencies as defined in ORS 291.002. The State Treasurer shall perform all activities necessary or
 26 desirable to fulfill the duties of the treasurer as the banking and cash management officer. The ac-
 27 tivities may include, but are not limited to, entering into contracts for the provision of services re-
 28 lated to the management, deposit and transfer of, or payment from, moneys deposited with the State
 29 Treasurer through banks and other financial institutions. The deposit, transfer or payment may be
 30 through physical presentation or drafting of an instrument or document by electronic or other
 31 means.

32 (2) The State Treasurer shall continuously review the effectiveness of the cash management of
 33 state agencies, the Secretary of State, the Judicial Department and the Legislative Assembly, and
 34 when the State Treasurer considers it appropriate shall report in writing to the subject agency the
 35 findings of this review, along with any recommendations. A copy of the report shall be provided to
 36 the Legislative Fiscal Officer and to the Secretary of State.

37 (3) This section controls over any other law that gives another state agency general responsi-
 38 bility for, or control over, the accounting, fiscal or electronic commerce affairs of the State Treas-
 39 ury, the Secretary of State, the Judicial Department, the Legislative Assembly, the [*Public Defense*
 40 *Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** and state agencies as defined in ORS
 41 291.002. State agencies shall employ the principles, standards and related requirements for cash
 42 management prescribed by the State Treasurer, including:

- 43 (a) Practices related to the use of credit, debit or similar cards or devices;
- 44 (b) The use of secure disbursing and receiving instruments, documents and systems; and
- 45 (c) The use of secure information resources, information technology and networks that meet the

1 requirements of the State Treasurer for the electronic management, deposit or transfer of, or pay-
2 ment from, moneys deposited with the State Treasurer.

3 (4) As used in this section, “information resources” and “information technology” have the
4 meanings given those terms in ORS 276A.206.

5 **SECTION 58.** ORS 419A.200 is amended to read:

6 419A.200. (1) Except as provided in ORS 419A.190, any person or entity, including, but not lim-
7 ited to, a party to a juvenile court proceeding under ORS 419B.875 (1) or 419C.285 (1), whose rights
8 or duties are adversely affected by a judgment of the juvenile court may appeal therefrom. An ap-
9 peal from a circuit court must be taken to the Court of Appeals, and an appeal from a county court
10 must be taken to the circuit court.

11 (2) If the proceeding is in the circuit court and no record of the proceedings was kept, the court,
12 on motion made not later than 15 days after the entry of the court’s judgment, shall grant a re-
13 hearing and shall direct that a record of the proceedings be kept. However, the court may not grant
14 a rehearing in a case barred by ORS 419A.190 without the consent of the child, ward, youth or ad-
15 judicated youth affected by such case. If a rehearing is held, the time for taking an appeal runs from
16 the date of entry of the court’s judgment after the rehearing.

17 (3)(a) The appeal may be taken by causing a notice of appeal, in the form prescribed by ORS
18 19.250, to be served:

19 (A) On all parties who have appeared in the proceeding;

20 (B) On the trial court administrator or other person serving as clerk of the juvenile court; and

21 (C) On the juvenile court transcript coordinator, if a transcript is designated in connection with
22 the appeal.

23 (b) The original of the notice with proof of service must be filed with:

24 (A) The Court of Appeals if the appeal is from a circuit court; or

25 (B) The circuit court if the appeal is from a county court.

26 (c) The notice must be filed not later than 30 days after the entry of the court’s judgment. On
27 appeal from the county court, the circuit court shall hear the matter de novo and its judgment is
28 appealable to the Court of Appeals in the same manner as if the proceeding had been commenced
29 in the circuit court.

30 (4) The counsel in the proceeding from which the appeal is being taken shall file and serve those
31 documents necessary to commence an appeal if the counsel is requested to do so by the party the
32 counsel represents. If the party requesting an appeal is represented by court-appointed counsel,
33 court-appointed counsel may discharge the duty to commence an appeal under this subsection by
34 complying with policies and procedures established by the [*office of public defense services*] **Oregon**
35 **Public Defense Commission** for appeals of juvenile court judgments.

36 (5)(a) Upon motion of a person, other than the state, entitled to appeal under subsection (1) of
37 this section, the appellate court shall grant the person leave to file a notice of appeal after the time
38 limits described in subsection (3) of this section if:

39 (A) The person shows a colorable claim of error in the proceeding from which the appeal is
40 taken; and

41 (B) The person shows that the failure to file a timely notice of appeal is not personally attrib-
42 utable to the person.

43 (b) A person other than the state is not entitled to relief under this subsection for failure to file
44 timely notice of cross-appeal when the state appeals pursuant to ORS 419A.208.

45 (c) The request for leave to file a notice of appeal after the time limits prescribed in subsection

1 (3) of this section must be filed no later than 90 days after entry of the judgment being appealed and
2 must be accompanied by the notice of appeal sought to be filed. A request for leave under this
3 subsection may be filed by mail and is deemed filed on the date of mailing if the request is mailed
4 as provided in ORS 19.260.

5 (d) The court may not grant relief under this subsection unless the state has notice and oppor-
6 tunity to respond to the person's request for relief.

7 (6) An appeal to the Court of Appeals must be conducted in the same manner as an appeal under
8 ORS chapter 19 except that the court shall advance the appeal on the court's docket in the same
9 manner as appeals in criminal cases.

10 (7)(a) Except as provided in ORS 419A.208 (2), or when otherwise ordered by the appellate court,
11 the filing of an appeal does not suspend an order or judgment of the juvenile court nor discharge
12 the ward or adjudicated youth from the custody of the person, institution or agency in whose cus-
13 tody the ward or adjudicated youth may have been placed nor preclude the juvenile court after no-
14 tice and hearing from entering such further orders relating to the ward or adjudicated youth's
15 custody pending final disposition of the appeal as it finds necessary by reason only of matters
16 transpiring subsequent to the order or judgment appealed from. The trial court administrator shall
17 immediately file certified copies of any such order or judgment with the Court of Appeals.

18 (b) Notwithstanding the filing of an appeal from a jurisdictional or dispositional judgment or an
19 order entered pursuant to ORS 419B.449 or 419B.476, the juvenile court may proceed with the ad-
20 judication of a petition seeking termination of the parental rights of a parent of the ward who is
21 subject to the judgment from which the appeal is taken.

22 (c) The appeal of any judgment entered in a termination of parental rights proceeding under
23 paragraph (b) of this subsection must be consolidated, if appropriate, with any pending appeal of an
24 order or judgment entered under ORS 419B.325, 419B.449 or 419B.476. The consolidated appeal must
25 be conducted and advanced on the court's docket in the same manner as termination of parental
26 rights cases.

27 (8) On appeal of a judgment or final order, the appellate court may review any interlocutory
28 order that:

29 (a) Involves the merits or necessarily affects the judgment or final order appealed from; and

30 (b) Was made after entry of the last appealable judgment or final order preceding entry of the
31 judgment or final order being appealed.

32 (9) The district attorney or Attorney General shall represent the state in the appeal.

33 (10)(a) The court from which an appeal is taken shall prepare and transmit a record on appeal
34 in the manner provided in ORS 19.365, except that, when the appeal is to the circuit court from a
35 county court, the record on appeal shall be prepared and transmitted by the county court to the
36 circuit court.

37 (b) The court to which an appeal is taken under this section shall keep a record of the case on
38 appeal that includes but is not limited to notices of appeal, briefs, motions, orders of the court and
39 other papers filed with the court on appeal.

40 (c) The record on appeal prepared and transmitted under paragraph (a) of this subsection, when
41 it is in the custody of the court to which the appeal is taken, and the record of the case on appeal
42 kept under paragraph (b) of this subsection are subject to the same limitations on inspection, copy-
43 ing and disclosure of records, reports and materials as those set forth under ORS 419A.255.

44 (d) The court on appeal may consent to disclosure of:

45 (A) Records described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, while in the custody of the court to

1 which the appeal is taken, in the same manner and under the same circumstances as the juvenile
2 court consents to disclosure under ORS 419A.255;

3 (B) Records described in paragraph (b) of this subsection; or

4 (C) An audio or video recording prepared of an oral proceeding on appeal, in the same manner
5 as permitted under ORS 419A.256 (1)(b), (3) and (4).

6 (e) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any decision, as that term is defined in ORS
7 19.450, issued by the Court of Appeals or the Supreme Court, on appeal or review of a juvenile court
8 decision, is not confidential and is not exempt from disclosure.

9 **SECTION 59.** ORS 419A.211 is amended to read:

10 419A.211. (1) If the child, ward, youth, adjudicated youth, parent or guardian is determined to
11 be entitled to, and, except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, financially eligible for, ap-
12 pointment of counsel at state expense in an appeal as provided in ORS 419A.200 and 419A.208, the
13 court, upon request of the person or upon its own motion, shall appoint suitable counsel to represent
14 the person. Counsel appointed by the court shall be paid compensation determined by the [*public*
15 *defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** as provided in ORS
16 135.055 if the circuit court is the appellate court or as provided in ORS 138.500 if the Court of Ap-
17 peals or the Supreme Court is the appellate court. The court may not substitute one appointed
18 counsel for another except pursuant to the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines of the
19 [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **commission**.

20 (2)(a) When the court appoints counsel to represent the child or ward, it may order the parent,
21 if able, or guardian of the estate, if the estate is able, to pay to the Public Defense Services Account
22 established by ORS 151.225, through the clerk of the court, in full or in part the administrative costs
23 of determining the ability of the parents or estate to pay for legal services and the costs of the legal
24 and other services that are related to the provision of appointed counsel.

25 (b) The test of the parent's or estate's ability to pay costs under paragraph (a) of this subsection
26 is the same test as applied to appointment of counsel for defendants under ORS 151.216. If counsel
27 is provided at state expense, the court shall apply this test in accordance with the guidelines
28 adopted by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** under
29 ORS 151.485.

30 (c) If counsel is provided at state expense, the court shall determine the amount the parents or
31 estate is required to pay for the costs of administrative, legal and other services related to the
32 provision of appointed counsel in the same manner as this amount is determined under ORS 151.487.

33 (d) The court's order of payment is enforceable in the same manner as an order of support under
34 ORS 419B.408.

35 (3) When the court appoints counsel under this section at state expense, the compensation for
36 counsel and costs and expenses necessary to the appeal shall be determined and paid as provided
37 in ORS 135.055 if the circuit court is the appellate court or as provided in ORS 138.500 if the Court
38 of Appeals or the Supreme Court is the appellate court.

39 (4) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a youth or adjudicated youth, or the parent
40 or guardian of the youth or adjudicated youth, is entitled to court-appointed counsel at state expense
41 under this section regardless of the financial circumstances of the youth or adjudicated youth or the
42 parent or guardian of the youth or adjudicated youth. In addition, the court may not order the
43 youth's or adjudicated youth's parent or guardian to pay any part of the administrative costs of
44 determining the entitlement of the youth, adjudicated youth, parent or guardian to court-appointed
45 counsel at state expense nor any of the costs of the legal and other services that are related to the

1 provision of appointed counsel.

2 **SECTION 60.** ORS 419A.252 is amended to read:

3 419A.252. As used in this section and ORS 419A.253, 419A.255 and 419A.256:

4 (1) "Person" means an individual, a public body as defined in ORS 174.109 or a tribe that is a
5 party to a juvenile court proceeding pursuant to ORS 419B.875.

6 (2) "Prospective appellate attorney" means an attorney designated by the [*office of public defense*
7 *services established under ORS 151.216*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** to potentially repre-
8 sent a child, ward, youth, adjudicated youth or a parent or guardian of a child, ward, youth or ad-
9 judicated youth, in a juvenile case when the case has been referred to the [*office of public defense*
10 *services*] **commission** for appeal.

11 (3) "Public defense provider" means an attorney or a law firm designated by the [*office of public*
12 *defense services established under ORS 151.216*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** to potentially
13 represent a child, ward, youth, adjudicated youth or the parent or guardian of a child, ward, youth
14 or adjudicated youth in a juvenile court proceeding.

15 (4) "Record of the case" or "record of each case," whether maintained in paper or electronic
16 form, includes but is not limited to the following and includes records filed in juvenile court pro-
17 ceedings commenced before January 1, 2014, when the records are substantially similar to the fol-
18 lowing:

19 (a) The summons and other process;

20 (b) Petitions;

21 (c) Papers in the nature of pleadings, answers, motions, affidavits and other papers that are filed
22 with the court, including supporting documentation;

23 (d) Local citizen review board findings and recommendations submitted under ORS 419A.118 or
24 419B.367;

25 (e) Guardianship report summaries filed with the court under ORS 419B.367;

26 (f) Orders and judgments of the court, including supporting documentation;

27 (g) Transcripts under ORS 419A.256;

28 (h) Exhibits and materials offered as exhibits whether or not received in evidence; and

29 (i) Other documents that become part of the record of the case by operation of law.

30 (5) "Supplemental confidential file," whether maintained in paper or electronic form, includes
31 reports and other material relating to the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth's history and
32 prognosis, including but not limited to reports filed under ORS 419B.440, and includes similar reports
33 and other materials filed in juvenile court proceedings commenced before January 1, 2014, that:

34 (a) Are not or do not become part of the record of the case; and

35 (b) Are not offered or received as evidence in the case.

36 **SECTION 61.** ORS 419A.255 is amended to read:

37 419A.255. (1)(a) The clerk of the court shall maintain a record of each case and a supplemental
38 confidential file for each case, except as otherwise provided in ORS 7.120.

39 (b) The record of the case shall be withheld from public inspection but is open to inspection by
40 the following:

41 (A) The judge of the juvenile court and those acting under the judge's direction;

42 (B) The child;

43 (C) The ward;

44 (D) The youth;

45 (E) The adjudicated youth;

- 1 (F) The parent or guardian of the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth;
- 2 (G) The guardian ad litem for the parent;
- 3 (H) A person allowed to intervene in a proceeding involving the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth;
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- 5 (I) The court appointed special advocate, and a representative of a CASA Volunteer Program
- 6 as defined in ORS 184.489, when reasonably necessary for the appointment or supervision of court
- 7 appointed special advocates;
- 8 (J) The attorneys or prospective appellate attorneys for any of the persons listed in subpara-
- 9 graphs (B) to (I) of this paragraph;
- 10 (K) The surrogate;
- 11 (L) Service providers in the case;
- 12 (M) The district attorney or assistant attorney general representing a party in the case;
- 13 (N) The juvenile department;
- 14 (O) The Department of Human Services;
- 15 (P) The Oregon Youth Authority; and
- 16 (Q) Any other person or entity allowed by the court pursuant to ORS 419A.258.
- 17 (c) The following are entitled to copies of the record of the case:
- 18 (A) The judge of the juvenile court and those acting under the judge's direction;
- 19 (B) A party to the extent permitted under ORS 419B.875 (2) or 419C.285 (2);
- 20 (C) A guardian ad litem for a parent to the same extent the parent is permitted to copies under
- 21 ORS 419B.875 (2) or 419C.285 (2);
- 22 (D) Persons listed in paragraph (b)(J) to (P) of this subsection; and
- 23 (E) Any other person or entity allowed by the court pursuant to ORS 419A.258.
- 24 (2)(a) Reports and other material relating to the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth's his-
- 25 tory and prognosis in the record of the case or the supplemental confidential file are privileged and,
- 26 except at the request of the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth, shall be withheld from public
- 27 inspection except that inspection is permitted as set forth in subsection (1)(b) of this section and
- 28 paragraph (b) of this subsection. The offer or admission of reports and other material in the record
- 29 of the case or the supplemental confidential file as exhibits in a hearing or trial does not waive or
- 30 otherwise change the privileged status of the reports and other material, except for purposes of the
- 31 hearing or trial in which the reports and other material are offered or admitted. Once offered as
- 32 an exhibit, reports and other material relating to the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth's his-
- 33 tory and prognosis that were maintained in the supplemental confidential file become part of the
- 34 record of the case but are subject to paragraph (e) of this subsection.
- 35 (b) A supplemental confidential file is open to inspection by the following:
- 36 (A) The judge of the juvenile court and those acting under the judge's direction;
- 37 (B) The parent or guardian of the child or ward in a dependency case;
- 38 (C) The guardian ad litem for the parent of a child or ward in a dependency case;
- 39 (D) The parent or guardian of the youth or adjudicated youth in a delinquency case if the youth
- 40 or adjudicated youth consents to, or the court authorizes, inspection;
- 41 (E) The guardian ad litem for the parent of a youth or adjudicated youth in a delinquency case
- 42 if the youth or adjudicated youth consents to, or the court authorizes, inspection;
- 43 (F) A person allowed to intervene in a proceeding involving the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth;
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- 45 (G) The court appointed special advocate, and a representative of a CASA Volunteer Program

1 as defined in ORS 184.489, when reasonably necessary for the appointment or supervision of court
2 appointed special advocates;

3 (H) The surrogate;

4 (I) Service providers in the case;

5 (J) The attorneys or prospective appellate attorneys for:

6 (i) The child;

7 (ii) The ward;

8 (iii) The youth;

9 (iv) The adjudicated youth;

10 (v) The parent or guardian of the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth;

11 (vi) The guardian ad litem for the parent;

12 (vii) A person allowed to intervene in a proceeding involving the child or ward in a dependency
13 case; or

14 (viii) The court appointed special advocate and a representative of a CASA Volunteer Program
15 as defined in ORS 184.489;

16 (K) The district attorney or assistant attorney general representing a party in the case;

17 (L) The juvenile department;

18 (M) The Department of Human Services;

19 (N) The Oregon Youth Authority; and

20 (O) Any other person or entity allowed by the court pursuant to ORS 419A.258.

21 (c) The supplemental confidential file in cases under ORS 419C.005 may be disclosed to the su-
22 perintendent of the school district in which the adjudicated youth resides or the superintendent's
23 designee.

24 (d) The following are entitled to copies of material maintained in the supplemental confidential
25 file:

26 (A) The judge of the juvenile court and those acting under the judge's direction;

27 (B) Service providers in the case;

28 (C) School superintendents and their designees in cases under ORS 419C.005;

29 (D) Attorneys designated under subsection (2)(b)(J) of this section;

30 (E) The district attorney or assistant attorney general representing a party in the case;

31 (F) The juvenile department;

32 (G) The Department of Human Services;

33 (H) The Oregon Youth Authority;

34 (I) The court appointed special advocate, and a representative of a CASA Volunteer Program
35 as defined in ORS 184.489, when reasonably necessary for the appointment or supervision of court
36 appointed special advocates; and

37 (J) Any other person or entity allowed by the court pursuant to ORS 419A.258.

38 (e) A person that obtains copies of material in the supplemental confidential file pursuant to
39 paragraph (d) of this subsection is responsible for preserving the confidentiality of the material in
40 the supplemental confidential file. A service provider, school superintendent or superintendent's
41 designee who obtains copies of such material shall destroy the copies upon the conclusion of in-
42 volvement in the case.

43 (3) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (5) of this section, no information appearing in
44 the record of the case or in the supplemental confidential file may be disclosed to any person not
45 described in subsections (1)(b) and (2)(b) of this section, respectively, without the consent of the

1 court, except for purposes of evaluating the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth's eligibility for
2 special education as provided in ORS chapter 343, and no such information may be used in evidence
3 in any proceeding to establish criminal or civil liability against the child, ward, youth or adjudicated
4 youth, whether such proceeding occurs after the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth has reached
5 18 years of age or otherwise, except for the following purposes:

6 (a) In connection with a presentence investigation after guilt has been admitted or established
7 in a criminal court.

8 (b) In connection with a proceeding in another juvenile court concerning the child, ward, youth
9 or adjudicated youth or an appeal from the juvenile court.

10 (4)(a) When a person described in subsection (1)(b)(M), (N), (O) or (P) of this section inspects or
11 obtains copies of reports, materials or documents under this subsection or under subsection (1) or
12 (2) of this section, the person may not use or disclose the reports, materials or documents, except:

13 (A) As provided in this subsection or under subsection (1) or (2) of this section;

14 (B) In the juvenile court proceeding for which the reports, materials or documents were sought
15 or disclosed;

16 (C) With the consent of the court; or

17 (D) As provided in ORS 419A.253.

18 (b) Nothing in this section prohibits the district attorney or assistant attorney general repre-
19 senting a party in a juvenile court proceeding, the juvenile department, the Department of Human
20 Services, the Oregon Youth Authority or other parties in the proceeding or their attorneys from
21 disclosing to each other reports, materials or documents described in subsections (1) and (2) of this
22 section if the disclosure is reasonably necessary to perform official duties related to the involvement
23 of the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth with the juvenile court or the juvenile department.
24 A person to whom reports, materials or documents are disclosed under this subsection is subject to
25 subsection (3) of this section.

26 (5)(a) Information contained in the supplemental confidential file that, in the professional judg-
27 ment of the juvenile counselor, caseworker, school superintendent or superintendent's designee,
28 teacher or detention worker to whom the information in the supplemental confidential file has been
29 provided, indicates a clear and immediate danger to another person or to society shall be disclosed
30 to the appropriate authority and the person who is in danger from the child, ward, youth or adju-
31 dicated youth.

32 (b) A person that discloses information under paragraph (a) of this subsection has immunity from
33 any liability, civil or criminal, that might otherwise be incurred or imposed for making the disclo-
34 sure.

35 (c) Nothing in this subsection affects the provisions of ORS 146.750, 146.760, 419B.035, 419B.040
36 and 419B.045. The disclosure of information under this subsection does not make the information
37 admissible in any court or administrative proceeding if it is not otherwise admissible.

38 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and subject to subsection (8) of this section, the
39 following are not confidential and not exempt from disclosure:

40 (a) The name and date of birth of the youth or adjudicated youth;

41 (b) The basis for the juvenile court's jurisdiction over the youth or adjudicated youth;

42 (c) The date, time and place of any juvenile court proceeding in which the youth or adjudicated
43 youth is involved;

44 (d) The act alleged in the petition that if committed by an adult would constitute a crime if ju-
45 risdiction is based on ORS 419C.005;

1 (e) That portion of the juvenile court order providing for the legal disposition of the youth or
2 adjudicated youth when jurisdiction is based on ORS 419C.005;

3 (f) The names and addresses of the youth or adjudicated youth's parents or guardians; and

4 (g) The register described in ORS 7.020 when jurisdiction is based on ORS 419C.005.

5 (7) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and subject to subsection (8) of this section,
6 when a youth has been taken into custody under ORS 419C.080, the following information shall be
7 disclosed unless, and only for so long as, there is a clear need to delay disclosure in the course of
8 a specific investigation, including the need to protect the complaining party or the victim:

9 (a) The youth's name and age and whether the youth is employed or in school;

10 (b) The youth offense for which the youth was taken into custody;

11 (c) The name and age of the adult complaining party and the adult victim, unless the disclosure
12 of such information is otherwise prohibited or restricted;

13 (d) The identity of the investigating and arresting agency; and

14 (e) The time and place that the youth was taken into custody and whether there was resistance,
15 pursuit or a weapon used in taking the youth into custody.

16 (8) Except as provided in ORS 419A.300 and unless otherwise directed by the court, only the
17 juvenile court, the county juvenile department and the Oregon Youth Authority may disclose the
18 information under subsections (6) and (7) of this section if the information is subject to disclosure.
19 The youth authority may disclose only information relating to adjudicated youths committed to the
20 youth authority by order of the juvenile court if the information is subject to disclosure under sub-
21 section (6) or (7) of this section.

22 (9) Nothing in this section limits access to any juvenile court records by an appellate court re-
23 viewing a juvenile court order or judgment. Appellate court rules may establish procedures for ap-
24 pellate court access to juvenile records.

25 (10) Nothing in this section prohibits the court from providing to the administrator as defined
26 in ORS 25.010 the date of entry of a judgment terminating parental rights or the date of entry of a
27 judgment terminating wardship following entry of a judgment of adoption together with the names
28 and dates of birth of the parents and children subject to the judgment.

29 (11) In addition to any other provision in this section, the Judicial Department may permit
30 county or statewide access to juvenile court records or information by county juvenile departments,
31 the Department of Human Services, the Oregon Youth Authority, district attorney offices, the office
32 of the Attorney General, the [*office of public defense services*] **Oregon Public Defense**
33 **Commission**, prospective appellate attorneys or public defense providers subject to the following
34 restrictions:

35 (a) A prospective appellate attorney or public defense provider granted access under this sub-
36 section must agree, pursuant to a written agreement with the Judicial Department, to access:

37 (A) Party information only for purposes of conflicts screening procedures; and

38 (B) Other records or information about a client only as reasonably necessary for the represen-
39 tation of that client in any juvenile case in which the client is a party, subject to applicable state
40 and federal confidentiality laws.

41 (b) Any other person or entity granted access under this subsection must agree, pursuant to a
42 written agreement with the department, to access records or information only as authorized and
43 allowed by this section, subject to applicable state and federal confidentiality laws.

44 (c) The State Court Administrator shall prescribe standards and procedures to implement the
45 provisions of this subsection.

1 (d) Any person or entity granted access to juvenile court records or information under this
2 subsection must preserve the confidentiality of that information as required under this section.

3 (12) A petition filed under ORS 419B.851 alleging that a child who is a foreign national is within
4 the jurisdiction of the court, or a motion requesting an implementation plan other than return of a
5 ward to the ward's parent, is subject to disclosure to the consulate for the child or ward's country
6 as provided under ORS 419B.851 (3).

7 (13) Nothing in this section prohibits a guardian appointed under ORS 419B.365 or 419B.366 from
8 disclosing or providing copies of letters of guardianship when so required to fulfill the duties of a
9 guardian.

10 (14) The court shall cooperate in the sharing of information with a court in another state to
11 facilitate an interstate placement of a child or ward.

12 (15) Nothing in this section prohibits the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Chief Judge
13 of the Court of Appeals or a presiding judge from permitting access to juvenile court records, in-
14 cluding the record of the case and the supplemental confidential file in a juvenile court proceeding,
15 or audio or video recordings of a juvenile court proceeding, by researchers or evaluators for the
16 purposes of developing statistics and performing analyses or audits on the effectiveness, cost and
17 other areas of public interest regarding juvenile court programs and activities in accordance with
18 child welfare and juvenile justice state plans and programs related to Title IV-B and IV-E of the
19 Social Security Act and to the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq).
20 The Chief Justice shall, by rule or order, establish standards and guidelines for the release of juve-
21 nile court information for research and evaluation purposes to ensure confidentiality consistent with
22 state and federal law and to promote consistent statewide application of this subsection. Statistics
23 and analyses released by researchers and evaluators under this subsection may not contain any in-
24 formation that identifies any individual person involved in a juvenile court proceeding.

25 (16) Subject to subsection (11) of this section, the [*office of public defense services*] **Oregon**
26 **Public Defense Commission** shall be permitted access to juvenile court records for the purposes
27 of performing the office's duties as set forth in ORS 151.219 to audit or investigate attorney ap-
28 pointment or representation of a party in a juvenile court proceeding in order to ensure adequate
29 representation of parties in juvenile court proceedings consistent with the child welfare state plan
30 related to Title IV-E of the Social Security Act.

31 (17) Subject to subsection (11) of this section, the Oregon State Bar shall be permitted access
32 to juvenile court records maintained in the record of the case for the purpose of performing the
33 bar's duties as set forth in ORS 9.005 to 9.757 to investigate attorney representation of a party in
34 a juvenile court proceeding and in order to ensure adequate representation of parties in juvenile
35 court proceedings consistent with the child welfare state plan related to Title IV-E of the Social
36 Security Act.

37 (18)(a) A child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth, or the parent or guardian of a child, ward,
38 youth or adjudicated youth who is a party to the juvenile court proceeding, who is entitled to in-
39 spect or copy the record of the case under subsection (1)(b) and (c) of this section maintains the
40 right to inspect or copy the record of the case after jurisdiction of the court over the child, ward,
41 youth or adjudicated youth terminates and after the child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth has
42 reached the age of majority.

43 (b) Notwithstanding ORS 419B.524, a parent of a child, ward, youth or adjudicated youth whose
44 parental rights have been terminated maintains the right that existed under subsection (1)(b) and (c)
45 of this section to inspect or copy the record of the case as the record of the case existed up until

1 the time of entry of the judgment terminating the parent's parental rights and may obtain a copy
2 of the judgment terminating the parent's parental rights.

3 (19) When inspection or copying of the record of the case or of the supplemental confidential file
4 is allowed pursuant to this section, and unless otherwise required by law, the court that maintains
5 the record of the case or the supplemental confidential file is not required to redact the names of,
6 or information about, siblings or other persons contained in the record of the case or the supple-
7 mental confidential file.

8 (20) Nothing in this section prohibits the court, acting as a certifying agency or official as de-
9 fined in ORS 147.620, from certifying a request under ORS 147.620 and including in the certification
10 document any information obtained from the record of the case or the confidential supplemental file
11 that is necessary to complete the certification.

12 (21) Nothing in this section prohibits a court from providing to the Department of State Police,
13 pursuant to ORS 163A.030 (11), a copy of an order requiring a youth or adjudicated youth to report
14 as a sex offender or a copy of a form that documents the youth's or adjudicated youth's obligation
15 to report as a sex offender.

16 **SECTION 62.** ORS 419B.112 is amended to read:

17 419B.112. (1) In every case under ORS chapter 419B, the court shall appoint a court appointed
18 special advocate. The court appointed special advocate is deemed a party in these proceedings and
19 may be represented by counsel, file pleadings and request hearings and may subpoena, examine and
20 cross-examine witnesses. If the court appointed special advocate is represented by counsel, counsel
21 shall be paid from funds in the Court Appointed Special Advocate Fund established under ORS
22 184.498. Counsel representing a court appointed special advocate may not be paid from moneys in
23 the Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225, from moneys appropriated to the
24 [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** or from Judicial De-
25 partment operating funds.

26 (2) Subject to the direction of the court, the duties of the court appointed special advocate are
27 to:

28 (a) Investigate all relevant information about the case;

29 (b) Advocate for the child or ward, ensuring that all relevant facts are brought before the court;

30 (c) Facilitate and negotiate to ensure that the court, the Department of Human Services, if ap-
31 plicable, and the child or ward's attorney, if any, fulfill their obligations to the child or ward in a
32 timely fashion; and

33 (d) Monitor all court orders to ensure compliance and to bring to the court's attention any
34 change in circumstances that may require a modification of an order of the court.

35 (3) If a juvenile court does not have a sufficient number of qualified court appointed special
36 advocates available to it, the court may, in fulfillment of the requirements of this section, appoint
37 a juvenile department employee or other suitable person to represent the child or ward's interest
38 in court pursuant to ORS 419A.012 or 419B.195.

39 (4) Any person appointed as a court appointed special advocate in any judicial proceeding on
40 behalf of the child or ward is immune from any liability for defamation or statements made in good
41 faith by that person, orally or in writing, in the course of the case review or judicial proceeding.

42 (5) Any person appointed as a court appointed special advocate, CASA Volunteer Program di-
43 rector, CASA Volunteer Program employee or member of the board of directors or trustees of any
44 CASA Volunteer Program is immune from any liability for acts or omissions or errors in judgment
45 made in good faith in the course or scope of that person's duties or employment as part of a CASA

1 Volunteer Program.

2 (6) Whenever the court appoints a court appointed special advocate or other person under sub-
3 sections (1) to (3) of this section to represent the child or ward, the court may require a parent, if
4 able, or guardian of the estate, if the estate is able, to pay, in whole or in part, the reasonable costs
5 of court appointed special advocate services, including reasonable attorney fees. The court's order
6 of payment is enforceable in the same manner as an order of support under ORS 419B.408.

7 (7) Upon presentation of the order of appointment by the court appointed special advocate, any
8 agency, hospital, school organization, division, office or department of the state, doctor, nurse or
9 other health care provider, psychologist, psychiatrist, police department or mental health clinic shall
10 permit the court appointed special advocate to inspect and copy, and may consult with the court
11 appointed special advocate regarding, any records relating to the child or ward involved in the case,
12 without the consent of the child, ward or parents.

13 (8) All records and information acquired or reviewed by a court appointed special advocate
14 during the course of official duties are deemed confidential under ORS 419A.255.

15 (9) For the purposes of a Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.)
16 grant to this state under P.L. 93-247, or any related state or federal legislation, a court appointed
17 special advocate or other person appointed pursuant to subsections (1) to (3) of this section is
18 deemed a guardian ad litem to represent the interests of the child or ward in proceedings before the
19 court.

20 **SECTION 63.** ORS 419B.195 is amended to read:

21 419B.195. (1) If the child, ward, parent or guardian requests counsel for the child or ward but
22 is without sufficient financial means to employ suitable counsel possessing skills and experience
23 commensurate with the nature of the petition and the complexity of the case, the court may appoint
24 suitable counsel to represent the child or ward at state expense if the child or ward is determined
25 to be financially eligible under the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public De-*
26 *fense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**. Whenever requested to do so, the
27 court shall appoint counsel to represent the child or ward in a case filed pursuant to ORS 419B.100.
28 The court may not substitute one appointed counsel for another except pursuant to the policies,
29 procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public**
30 **Defense Commission**.

31 (2) Upon presentation of the order of appointment under this section by the attorney for the
32 child or ward, any agency, hospital, school organization, division or department of the state, doctor,
33 nurse or other health care provider, psychologist, psychiatrist, police department or mental health
34 clinic shall permit the attorney to inspect and copy any records of the child or ward involved in the
35 case, without the consent of the child or ward or parents. This subsection does not apply to records
36 of a police agency relating to an ongoing investigation prior to charging.

37 **SECTION 64.** ORS 419B.198 is amended to read:

38 419B.198. (1) When the court appoints counsel to represent a child or ward, it may order the
39 parent, if able, or guardian of the estate, if the estate is able, to pay to the Public Defense Services
40 Account established by ORS 151.225, through the clerk of the court, in full or in part the adminis-
41 trative costs of determining the ability of the parents or estate to pay for legal services and the
42 costs of the legal and other services that are related to the provision of appointed counsel.

43 (2) The test of the parent's or estate's ability to pay costs under subsection (1) of this section
44 is the same test as applied to appointment of counsel for defendants under ORS 135.050 or under the
45 policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted under ORS 151.216. If counsel is provided at

1 state expense, the court shall apply this test in accordance with the guidelines adopted by the
2 [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** under ORS 151.485.

3 (3) If counsel is provided at state expense, the court shall determine the amount the parents or
4 estate is required to pay for the costs of administrative, legal and other services related to the
5 provision of appointed counsel in the same manner as this amount is determined under ORS 151.487.

6 (4) The court's order of payment is enforceable in the same manner as an order of support under
7 ORS 419B.408.

8 **SECTION 65.** ORS 419B.237 is amended to read:

9 419B.237. (1) The appointment of a guardian ad litem under ORS 419B.231 continues until:

10 (a) The court terminates the appointment;

11 (b) The juvenile court proceeding is dismissed; or

12 (c) The parent's parental rights are terminated, unless the court continues the appointment.

13 (2) A party to the proceeding or the attorney for the parent for whom a guardian ad litem has
14 been appointed may request removal of the guardian ad litem. The court:

15 (a) Shall remove the guardian ad litem if the court determines that the parent no longer lacks
16 substantial capacity either to understand the nature and consequences of the proceeding or to give
17 direction and assistance to the parent's attorney on decisions the parent must make in the pro-
18 ceeding; or

19 (b) May remove the guardian ad litem on other grounds as the court determines appropriate.

20 (3) The [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall com-
21 pensate a guardian ad litem for duties the guardian ad litem performs in the proceeding from funds
22 appropriated to the commission.

23 **SECTION 66.** ORS 419B.532 is amended to read:

24 419B.532. (1) As used in this section, "former parent" means a person who was previously the
25 legal parent of a ward and whose parental rights to the ward have been terminated.

26 (2)(a) In a proceeding under ORS 419B.500, the Department of Human Services or a ward may
27 file a motion to reinstate the parental rights of a former parent if:

28 (A)(i) The ward has not been adopted; or

29 (ii) The ward was previously adopted but no longer has a legal parent;

30 (B) No legal action to achieve the adoption of the ward has been initiated under ORS 109.276
31 or 419B.529;

32 (C) At least 18 months have passed since entry of the judgment terminating the former parent's
33 parental rights to the ward or, in the event of an appeal, at least six months have passed since is-
34 suance of an appellate judgment affirming the termination judgment, whichever is later; and

35 (D) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, the ward is at least 12 years of age
36 at the time the motion to reinstate parental rights is filed.

37 (b) If the ward is under 12 years of age at the time the motion to reinstate parental rights is
38 filed, the court may allow the motion upon a showing of good cause.

39 (3) A motion to reinstate parental rights under this section must be in writing and state with
40 particularity the factual and legal grounds for the motion.

41 (4) The moving party shall provide a copy of the motion to reinstate parental rights to the for-
42 mer parent and shall notify the court, the parties and, if there is reason to know that the ward is
43 an Indian child, the tribe that a copy of the motion has been provided.

44 (5) If a motion to reinstate parental rights does not state a prima facie case as to the facts that
45 must be proved under subsection (6) of this section, the court may deny the motion without a hear-

1 ing.

2 (6)(a) If a motion to reinstate parental rights states a prima facie case as to the facts that must
3 be proved under this subsection, the court shall hold a hearing on the merits of the motion. The
4 court shall grant the motion if the moving party proves by clear and convincing evidence that:

5 (A) The former parent's conduct and conditions that led to the termination of parental rights
6 have been ameliorated and the former parent is presently fit;

7 (B) The former parent wishes to have parental rights reinstated;

8 (C) The ward consents to the reinstatement of parental rights; and

9 (D) Reinstatement of parental rights is in the ward's best interests.

10 (b) In determining whether reinstatement of parental rights is in the ward's best interests under
11 paragraph (a) of this subsection, the court shall consider:

12 (A) The ward's health, safety, permanency, age, maturity and ability to express the ward's pref-
13 erences;

14 (B) The reasons that the former parent's parental rights were terminated;

15 (C) The former parent's stated reasons for wishing to have parental rights reinstated; and

16 (D) The likely impact on the ward of the former parent's past abuse or neglect.

17 (c) The moving party shall provide notice to the former parent of a hearing on the merits under
18 paragraph (a) of this subsection.

19 (d) The department shall establish by rule procedures for investigating the present fitness of the
20 former parent and for providing appropriate reunification services.

21 (7) If the court grants the motion to reinstate parental rights under subsection (6) of this sec-
22 tion:

23 (a) The court shall enter an order reinstating parental rights that shall restore all parental
24 rights and duties of the former parent as to the ward;

25 (b) The ward shall continue as a ward of the court for at least six months after entry of the
26 order reinstating parental rights; and

27 (c) The court shall conduct a permanency hearing as provided in ORS 419B.470 within 60 days
28 after entering the order under paragraph (a) of this subsection.

29 (8) An order reinstating parental rights under this section does not vacate or otherwise affect
30 the validity of the original judgment terminating the parental rights of the former parent except to
31 the extent that the order reinstates parental rights.

32 (9) In any proceeding under this section, the ward is entitled to have counsel appointed at state
33 expense if the ward is determined to be financially eligible under the policies, procedures, standards
34 and guidelines of the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

35 **SECTION 67.** ORS 419B.647 is amended to read:

36 419B.647. (1) If there is reason to know that a child in a proceeding under ORS chapter 419B
37 is an Indian child:

38 (a) The court shall appoint counsel to represent the Indian child.

39 (b) If the Indian child's parent or Indian custodian requests counsel to represent the parent or
40 Indian custodian but is without sufficient financial means to employ suitable counsel possessing
41 skills and experience commensurate with the nature of the petition and the complexity of the case,
42 the court shall appoint suitable counsel to represent the Indian child's parent or Indian custodian
43 if the parent or Indian custodian is determined to be financially eligible under the policies, proce-
44 dures, standards and guidelines of the [Public Defense Services Commission] **Oregon Public Defense**
45 **Commission.**

1 (2) Upon presentation of the order of appointment under this section by the attorney for the
2 Indian child, any agency, hospital, school organization, division or department of the state, doctor,
3 nurse or other health care provider, psychologist, psychiatrist, police department or mental health
4 clinic shall permit the attorney for the Indian child to inspect and copy any records of the Indian
5 child involved in the case, without the consent of the Indian child or the Indian child's parent or
6 Indian custodian. This subsection does not apply to records of a police agency relating to an ongoing
7 investigation prior to bringing charges.

8 **SECTION 68.** ORS 419C.200 is amended to read:

9 419C.200. (1)(a) When a petition is filed under ORS 419C.005, the court:

10 (A) Shall appoint counsel to represent the youth at all stages of the proceeding if the offense
11 alleged in the petition is classified as a crime.

12 (B) Shall appoint counsel for the youth at any proceeding concerning an order of probation.

13 (C) Notwithstanding subparagraph (A) or (B) of this paragraph, shall appoint counsel for the
14 youth in any case in which the youth would be entitled to appointed counsel if the youth were an
15 adult charged with the same offense.

16 (D) May appoint counsel for the youth in any other proceeding under ORS 419C.005.

17 (b) The court may not substitute one appointed counsel for another except pursuant to the pol-
18 icies, procedures, standards and guidelines of the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon**
19 **Public Defense Commission.**

20 (2)(a) A court may not accept a waiver of counsel by a youth except under the following cir-
21 cumstances:

22 (A) The youth is at least 16 years of age;

23 (B) The youth has met with and been advised regarding the right to counsel by counsel who has
24 been appointed by the court or retained on behalf of the youth;

25 (C) A written waiver, signed by both the youth and the youth's counsel, is filed with the court;
26 and

27 (D) A hearing is held on the record where the youth's counsel appears and the court, after
28 consulting with the youth, finds the waiver was knowingly, intelligently and voluntarily made and
29 not unduly influenced by the interests of others, including the interests of the youth's parents or
30 guardians.

31 (b) This subsection does not apply to a youth entering into a formal accountability agreement
32 under ORS 419C.230.

33 (3) Upon presentation of the order of appointment under this section by the counsel for the
34 youth, any agency, hospital, school organization, division or department of the state, doctor, nurse
35 or other health care provider, psychologist, psychiatrist, police department or mental health clinic
36 shall permit the counsel to inspect and copy any records of the youth or youths involved in the case,
37 without the consent of the youth or youths or parents. This subsection does not apply to records
38 of a police agency relating to an ongoing investigation prior to charging.

39 **SECTION 69.** ORS 419C.380 is amended to read:

40 419C.380. (1) An evaluation ordered under ORS 419C.378 must be conducted by a psychiatrist,
41 a licensed psychologist or a regulated social worker. If an evaluation is requested, the party at
42 whose request the evaluation was ordered shall notify the court and other parties of the date, time
43 and location of the evaluation and the name of the evaluator chosen by the party. A party or the
44 court may submit written information to the evaluator for consideration. When written information
45 that has not been provided to the court or an opposing party is submitted to the evaluator, the party

1 submitting the written information to the evaluator shall provide the written information to the
2 court and the opposing party.

3 (2)(a) A county court or justice court shall order the county to pay the fees and costs described
4 in subsection (3) of this section from funds available for that purpose.

5 (b) A circuit court shall order the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon**
6 **Public Defense Commission** to pay the fees and costs described in subsection (3) of this section
7 from funds available for that purpose.

8 (3) Pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, the county or the [*public defense services*] executive
9 director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall pay:

10 (a) A reasonable fee to a psychiatrist, licensed psychologist or regulated social worker in private
11 practice who conducts the evaluation; and

12 (b) All costs, including transportation of the youth, if the evaluation is conducted by a psychia-
13 trist, licensed psychologist or regulated social worker employed by the Department of Human Ser-
14 vices or is conducted by a community mental health program or community developmental
15 disabilities program established under ORS 430.610 to 430.695.

16 (4) If an evaluation is ordered under ORS 419C.378, the county shall pay for the expense of the
17 evaluation.

18 (5) After a motion is made by the court or the youth under ORS 419C.378 (3), the state shall
19 have the right to seek an independent evaluation at its own expense.

20 (6) A youth may not be removed from the youth's current placement for the purpose of an
21 evaluation performed under this section unless the youth has been placed in a detention facility as
22 defined in ORS 419A.004 or a youth correction facility as defined in ORS 420.005.

23 **SECTION 70.** ORS 419C.535 is amended to read:

24 419C.535. (1) The juvenile panel of the Psychiatric Security Review Board shall appoint suitable
25 counsel to represent a young person about whom a hearing under ORS 419C.532 is being held.
26 Counsel appointed must be an attorney who satisfies the [*professional qualification*] **minimum** stan-
27 dards established by the [*Public Defense Services Commission*] **Oregon Public Defense Commission**
28 under ORS 151.216. The [*public defense services*] executive director **of the commission** shall deter-
29 mine and allow fair compensation for counsel appointed under this subsection and the reasonable
30 expenses of the young person in respect to the hearing. Compensation payable to appointed counsel
31 may not be less than the applicable compensation level established under ORS 151.216. The [*public*
32 *defense services*] executive director shall pay compensation and expenses allowed from funds avail-
33 able for that purpose.

34 (2) The juvenile panel may not order the young person, parent or guardian of the estate to pay
35 any part of the administrative costs of appointing counsel for the young person or to pay for the
36 costs of legal and other services that are related to the provision of appointed counsel.

37 (3) The Attorney General may represent the state at contested hearings before the juvenile
38 panel unless the district attorney of the county in which the young person was adjudicated elects
39 to represent the state. The district attorney of the county in which the young person was adjudi-
40 cated shall cooperate with the Attorney General in securing the material necessary for presenting
41 a contested hearing before the juvenile panel. If the district attorney elects to represent the state,
42 the district attorney shall give timely written notice to the Attorney General, the juvenile panel and
43 the attorney representing the young person.

44 **SECTION 71.** ORS 426.135 is amended to read:

45 426.135. If a person determined to be a person with mental illness as provided in ORS 426.130,

1 or determined to be an extremely dangerous person with mental illness under ORS 426.701 or
 2 426.702, appeals the determination or the disposition, and is determined to be financially eligible for
 3 appointed counsel at state expense, upon request of the person or upon its own motion, the court
 4 shall appoint suitable legal counsel to represent the person. The compensation for legal counsel and
 5 costs and expenses necessary to the appeal shall be determined and paid by the [*public defense ser-*
 6 *vices*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** as provided in ORS 135.055
 7 if the circuit court is the appellate court or as provided in ORS 138.500 if the Court of Appeals or
 8 Supreme Court is the appellate court. The compensation, costs and expenses shall be paid as pro-
 9 vided in ORS 138.500.

10 **SECTION 72.** ORS 426.250 is amended to read:

11 426.250. The following is a nonexclusive list of responsibilities for payment of various costs re-
 12 lated to commitment proceedings under this chapter as described:

13 (1) Any physician or qualified professional recommended by the Oregon Health Authority who
 14 is employed under ORS 426.110 to make an examination as to the mental condition of a person al-
 15 leged to have a mental illness shall be allowed a fee as the court in its discretion determines rea-
 16 sonable for the examination.

17 (2) Witnesses subpoenaed to give testimony shall receive the same fees as are paid in criminal
 18 cases, and are subject to compulsory attendance in the same manner as provided in ORS 136.567 to
 19 136.603. The attendance of out-of-state witnesses may be secured in the same manner as provided in
 20 ORS 136.623 to 136.637. The party who subpoenas the witness or requests the court to subpoena the
 21 witness is responsible for payment of the cost of the subpoena and payment for the attendance of
 22 the witness at a hearing. When the witness has been subpoenaed on behalf of a person alleged to
 23 have a mental illness who is represented by appointed counsel, the fees and costs allowed for that
 24 witness shall be paid pursuant to ORS 135.055. If the costs of witnesses subpoenaed by the person
 25 are paid as provided under this subsection, the procedure for subpoenaing witnesses shall comply
 26 with ORS 136.570.

27 (3) If a person with a right to a counsel under ORS 426.100, 426.701 or 426.702 is determined to
 28 be financially eligible for appointed counsel at state expense, the [*public defense services*] executive
 29 director **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall determine and pay, as provided in ORS
 30 135.055, the reasonable expenses related to the representation of the person and compensation for
 31 legal counsel. The expenses and compensation so allowed shall be paid by the [*public defense*
 32 *services*] executive director from funds available for the purpose.

33 (4) The authority shall pay the costs of expenses incurred under ORS 426.100 by the Attorney
 34 General's office. Any costs for district attorneys or other counsel appointed to assume responsibility
 35 for presenting the state's case shall be paid by the county where the commitment hearing is held,
 36 subject to reimbursement under ORS 426.310.

37 (5) All costs incurred in connection with a proceeding under ORS 426.180, 426.701 or 426.702,
 38 including the costs of transportation, commitment and delivery of the person, shall be paid by the
 39 community mental health program in the county of which the person is a resident. If the person is
 40 not a resident of this state, then the costs incurred in connection with the proceeding shall be paid
 41 by the community mental health program in the county from which the emergency admission was
 42 made.

43 (6) All costs incurred in connection with a proceeding under ORS 426.180 for the commitment
 44 of a person from a reservation, including the cost of transportation, commitment and delivery of the
 45 person, shall be paid by the governing body of the reservation of which the person is a resident.

1 **SECTION 73.** ORS 427.265 is amended to read:

2 427.265. (1) At the time that a person who is alleged to have an intellectual disability and to
3 be in need of commitment for residential care, treatment and training is brought before the court,
4 the court shall advise the person of the reason for being brought before the court, the nature of the
5 proceedings and the possible results of the proceedings. The court shall also advise the person of
6 the right to subpoena witnesses and to suitable legal counsel possessing skills and experience
7 commensurate with the nature of the allegations and complexity of the case during the proceedings,
8 and that if the person does not have funds with which to retain suitable legal counsel, the court
9 shall appoint such legal counsel to represent the person. If the person does not request legal coun-
10 sel, the legal guardian, relative or friend may request the assistance of legal counsel on behalf of
11 the person.

12 (2) If no request for legal counsel is made, the court shall appoint suitable legal counsel.

13 (3) If the person is unable to afford legal counsel, the court, if the matter is before a county or
14 justice court, or the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
15 **Commission**, if the matter is before the circuit court, shall determine and allow, as provided in ORS
16 135.055, the reasonable expenses of the person and compensation for legal counsel. The expenses and
17 compensation so allowed by a county court shall be paid by the county of residence of the person.
18 The expenses and compensation determined by the [*public defense services*] executive director shall
19 be paid by the [*public defense services*] executive director from funds available for the purpose. In
20 all cases legal counsel shall be present at the hearing and may examine all witnesses offering tes-
21 timony, and otherwise represent the person.

22 (4) The court may, for good cause, postpone the hearing for not more than 72 hours to allow
23 preparation for the hearing and order the continuation of detention authorized under ORS 427.255
24 during a postponement, if requested by the person, the legal counsel, parent or guardian of the
25 person, an examiner or on the court's own motion.

26 **SECTION 74.** ORS 427.295 is amended to read:

27 427.295. If a person appeals a commitment order issued under ORS 427.290, the court, upon re-
28 quest of the person or upon its own motion and upon finding that the person is financially eligible
29 for appointed counsel at state expense, shall appoint suitable legal counsel to represent the person.
30 The compensation for legal counsel and costs and expenses necessary to the appeal shall be deter-
31 mined and paid by the [*public defense services*] executive director **of the Oregon Public Defense**
32 **Commission** as provided in ORS 135.055 if the circuit court is the appellate court or as provided
33 in ORS 138.500 if the Court of Appeals or Supreme Court is the appellate court. The compensation,
34 costs and expenses so allowed shall be paid as provided in ORS 138.500.

35 **SECTION 75.** ORS 433.466 is amended to read:

36 433.466. (1) A person or group of persons subject to isolation or quarantine or other public
37 health measure pursuant to ORS 433.121 or 433.123 has the right to be represented by legal counsel
38 if the person or group of persons so elects. If the person or group of persons requests legal counsel
39 and cannot afford counsel, the court shall appoint legal counsel. If no request for legal counsel is
40 made, the court must appoint legal counsel unless counsel is expressly, knowingly and intelligently
41 refused by the person or the group of persons. The person or the group of persons may request legal
42 counsel at any time during the period of imposition of the isolation, quarantine or other public
43 health measure.

44 (2) If a person is unable to afford legal counsel, the [*public defense services*] executive director
45 **of the Oregon Public Defense Commission** shall determine and pay, as provided in ORS 135.055,

1 the reasonable expenses of the person and compensation for legal counsel appointed to represent the
2 person.

3 **SECTION 76.** The amendments to ORS 1.009, 8.105, 34.355, 40.225, 42.125, 45.275, 45.285,
4 84.064, 125.035, 125.080, 135.050, 136.603, 137.020, 138.310, 138.480, 138.500, 138.590, 144.335,
5 144.337, 147.537, 147.560, 151.485, 151.487, 151.493, 151.505, 161.309, 161.346, 161.348, 161.365,
6 161.665, 171.133, 181A.010, 190.490, 244.050, 283.110, 291.002, 291.011, 291.030, 291.045, 291.227,
7 293.300, 293.590, 293.875, 419A.200, 419A.211, 419A.252, 419A.255, 419B.112, 419B.195, 419B.198,
8 419B.237, 419B.532, 419B.647, 419C.200, 419C.380, 419C.535, 426.135, 426.250, 427.265, 427.295 and
9 433.466 by sections 15 to 75 of this 2023 Act become operative on January 1, 2024.

10
11 **TRANSFER OF COMMISSION TO EXECUTIVE BRANCH**
12 **(Appointment and Duties)**
13

14 **SECTION 77.** ORS 151.213, as amended by section 2 of this 2023 Act, is amended to read:

15 151.213. (1) The Oregon Public Defense Commission is established in the *[judicial]* **executive**
16 branch of state government. Except for the appointment or removal of commission members, the
17 commission and employees of the commission are not subject to the exercise of administrative au-
18 thority and supervision by the *[Chief Justice of the Supreme Court as the administrative head of the*
19 *Judicial Department]* **Governor**.

20 (2)(a) Nine voting members and four nonvoting members shall be appointed to the commission
21 by *[order of the Chief Justice]* **the Governor** as follows:

22 **(A) The Governor shall appoint:**

23 **(i) One voting member who has been represented by a public defense provider.**

24 **(ii) Two additional voting members, one of whom has experience as a public defense**
25 **provider in criminal or juvenile delinquency cases.**

26 **(iii) Two nonvoting members who are currently employed as public defense providers in**
27 **this state, one of whom is from an urban area and one of whom is from a rural area.**

28 *[(A)]* **(B) The Governor shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the Chief**
29 **Justice** *[shall appoint]* **of the Supreme Court:**

30 (i) One voting member who is a retired judge, or who is serving as a senior judge under ORS
31 1.300, with criminal law experience.

32 (ii) Two additional voting members, one of whom has experience as a public defense provider in
33 criminal or juvenile delinquency cases.

34 *[(B) The Chief Justice shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the Governor:]*

35 *[(i) One voting member who has been represented by a public defense provider.]*

36 *[(ii) Two additional voting members, one of whom has experience as a public defense provider in*
37 *criminal or juvenile delinquency cases.]*

38 *[(iii) Two nonvoting members who are currently employed as public defense providers in this state,*
39 *one of whom is from an urban area and one of whom is from a rural area.]*

40 **(C) The** *[Chief Justice]* **Governor** shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the Presi-
41 dent of the Senate:

42 (i) One voting member who is a current dean or faculty member of an Oregon law school.

43 (ii) One nonvoting member who is a member of the Senate at the time of appointment.

44 **(D) The** *[Chief Justice]* **Governor** shall appoint, from among persons recommended by the
45 Speaker of the House of Representatives:

1 (i) One voting member who has expertise in juvenile law and criminal law, or who is a juvenile
2 justice advocate.

3 (ii) One nonvoting member who is a member of the House of Representatives at the time of ap-
4 pointment.

5 (E) The [*Chief Justice*] **Governor** shall appoint one voting member from among persons jointly
6 recommended by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

7 (b) When recommending and appointing members of the commission, the [*Chief Justice,*] Gover-
8 nor, **Chief Justice**, President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives shall:

9 (A) Consider input from individuals and organizations with an interest in the delivery of public
10 defense services.

11 (B) Consider geographic, racial, ethnic and gender diversity.

12 (C) Ensure that members appointed to the commission have significant experience with issues
13 related to public defense or in the case types subject to representation by public defense providers.

14 (D) Ensure that members appointed to the commission have demonstrated a strong commitment
15 to quality public defense representation.

16 (c) The following persons may not be appointed to and may not serve as members of the com-
17 mission:

18 (A) A prosecuting attorney.

19 (B) A judge, magistrate or other person who performs judicial functions, other than a senior
20 judge under ORS 1.300.

21 (C) An employee of a law enforcement agency.

22 (d) A person who is primarily engaged in providing public defense services and who has a fi-
23 nancial interest in the delivery of public defense services at the state level may not serve as a
24 voting member of the commission.

25 (3) The term of a member is four years beginning on the effective date of the [*order of the Chief*
26 *Justice appointing the member*] **Governor's appointment**. A member is eligible for reappointment if
27 qualified for membership at the time of reappointment, but may serve no more than two consecutive
28 four-year terms. The [*Chief Justice*] **Governor** may remove any member of the commission at any
29 time for cause. If a vacancy occurs for any cause before the expiration of the term of a member, the
30 [*Chief Justice*] **Governor** shall make an appointment to fill the vacancy, in the same manner as an
31 appointment to a full term, to become immediately effective for the unexpired term. If the [*Chief*
32 *Justice*] **Governor** has not filled a vacancy within 45 days after the vacancy occurs, the remaining
33 voting members of the commission shall, by a majority vote, select a member to fill the vacancy for
34 the remainder of the term.

35 (4) A chairperson and a vice chairperson shall be elected by the voting members of the com-
36 mission every two years with such functions as the commission may determine. A member is eligible
37 for reelection as chairperson or vice chairperson.

38 (5) A majority of the voting members constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

39 (6) The members of the commission shall:

40 (a) Appoint, by a two-thirds vote of the voting members, an executive director for a term of of-
41 fice of four years. The term may be terminated for cause by a majority vote of the members of the
42 commission after notice and a hearing. When the term of an executive director ends without termi-
43 nation, the members of the commission may reappoint the person currently in the position by a
44 majority vote.

45 (b) Review and approve the policies, procedures, standards and guidelines required by ORS

1 151.216 before those policies, procedures, standards and guidelines may take effect.

2 (c) Review and approve the budget of the commission before submission to the Legislative As-
3 sembly.

4 (d) Meet as needed to carry out the duties described in this subsection.

5 (7) The members of the commission may not:

6 (a) Make any decision regarding the handling of any individual case;

7 (b) Have access to any case file; or

8 (c) Interfere with the executive director or any member of the staff of the executive director in
9 carrying out professional duties involving the legal representation of public defense clients.

10 (8) A member of the commission is entitled to compensation for services as a member, and to
11 expenses, as provided in ORS 292.495.

12 **SECTION 78.** ORS 151.216, as amended by section 3 of this 2023 Act, is amended to read:

13 151.216. (1) The Oregon Public Defense Commission shall:

14 (a) Establish and maintain a public defense system that ensures the provision of public defense
15 services consistent with the Oregon Constitution, the United States Constitution and Oregon and
16 national standards of justice.

17 (b) Adopt policies for public defense providers that:

18 (A) Ensure compensation, resources and caseloads are in accordance with national and regional
19 best practices; and

20 (B) Provide for public defense provider compensation and resources that are comparable to
21 prosecution compensation and resources.

22 (c) Submit the budget of the commission to the Legislative Assembly after the budget is sub-
23 mitted to the commission by the executive director and approved by the voting members of the
24 commission. The [*Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the*] chairperson of the commission shall
25 present the budget to the Legislative Assembly.

26 (d) Adopt a compensation plan, classification system and affirmative action plan for the com-
27 mission that are commensurate with other state agencies.

28 (e) Adopt policies, procedures, standards and guidelines regarding:

29 (A) The determination of financial eligibility of persons entitled to be represented by appointed
30 counsel at state expense;

31 (B) The appointment of counsel, including the appointment of counsel at state expense regard-
32 less of financial eligibility in juvenile delinquency matters;

33 (C) The fair compensation of counsel appointed to represent a person financially eligible for
34 appointed counsel at state expense;

35 (D) Appointed counsel compensation disputes;

36 (E) The costs associated with the representation of a person by appointed counsel in the state
37 courts that are required to be paid by the state;

38 (F) The qualifications required for senior staff of the commission; and

39 (G) The types of fees and expenses subject to a preauthorization requirement.

40 (f) Reimburse the State Court Administrator from funds deposited in the Public Defense Services
41 Account established by ORS 151.225 for the costs of personnel and other costs associated with lo-
42 cation of eligibility verification and screening personnel pursuant to ORS 151.489 by the State Court
43 Administrator.

44 (g) Establish minimum standards for the delivery of public defense services that provide for the
45 effective assistance of counsel to eligible persons throughout this state. The minimum standards

1 must be designed to ensure that public defense services meet all requirements for the effective as-
2 sistance of counsel under statute and the Oregon and United States Constitutions.

3 (h) Establish and implement policies, procedures, standards and guidelines necessary to guaran-
4 tee the right of eligible persons to the assistance of counsel as required by statute and by the
5 Oregon and United States Constitutions.

6 (i) Develop and oversee the implementation, enforcement and modification of minimum policies,
7 procedures, standards and guidelines to ensure that public defense providers are providing effective
8 assistance of counsel consistently to all eligible persons in this state as required by statute and the
9 Oregon and United States Constitutions. The policies, procedures, standards and guidelines de-
10 scribed in this paragraph apply to employees of the commission and to any entity that contracts
11 with the commission to provide public defense services in this state.

12 (j) Set minimum standards by which appointed counsel are trained and supervised.

13 (k) Establish procedures for the mandatory collection of data concerning the operation of the
14 commission and all public defense providers.

15 (L) Enter into contracts to bring the delivery of public defense services into compliance with
16 the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines described in this subsection.

17 (m) At least once every two years, report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
18 related to the judiciary, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and to the Governor and Chief
19 Justice, concerning compliance metrics for the minimum standards described in this subsection and
20 recommendations for legislative changes.

21 (n) Develop standard operating expectations for persons providing public defense services.

22 (o) In consultation with the Judicial Department, ensure the existence of policies that create a
23 standardized process for determining and verifying financial eligibility for appointed counsel under
24 ORS 151.485.

25 (p) Centralize services and resources, including training, so that the services and resources can
26 be utilized by both commission employees and public service providers who contract with the com-
27 mission.

28 (q) Establish any other policies, procedures, standards and guidelines for the conduct of the
29 commission's affairs and promulgate policies necessary to carry out all powers and duties of the
30 commission.

31 (2) When establishing the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines described in
32 this section, the commission shall adhere to the following principles:

33 (a) Appointed counsel shall be provided sufficient time and a space where attorney-client
34 confidentiality is safeguarded for meetings with clients.

35 (b) The workload of appointed counsel must be controlled to permit effective representation.
36 Economic disincentives or incentives that impair the ability of appointed counsel to provide effective
37 assistance of counsel must be avoided. The commission may develop workload controls to enhance
38 appointed counsel's ability to provide effective representation.

39 (c) The ability, training and experience of appointed counsel must match the nature and com-
40 plexity of the case to which the counsel is appointed.

41 (d) The same appointed counsel shall continuously represent a client throughout the pendency
42 of the case and shall appear at every court appearance other than ministerial hearings.

43 (e) The commission shall establish continuing legal education requirements relevant to the
44 practice of public defense or juvenile representation for public defense providers who are employed
45 by or contract with the commission.

1 (f) The commission and public defense providers shall systematically review appointed counsel
2 for efficiency and for effective representation according to commission standards.

3 (3) The commission shall be organized in a manner for the effective delivery of public defense
4 services as prescribed by the policies and procedures created pursuant to statute to financially eli-
5 gible persons and consistent with the budgetary structure established for the commission by the
6 Legislative Assembly.

7 (4) The commission shall hire attorneys to serve as appointed counsel at the trial level in
8 Oregon circuit courts, and may establish a trial division within the commission consisting of attor-
9 neys employed by the commission who are trial-level public defense providers.

10 (5) The policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission must be made
11 available in an accessible manner to the public on the commission's Internet website.

12 (6) Policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission supersede any
13 conflicting rules, policies or procedures of the Public Defender Committee, State Court Administra-
14 tor, circuit courts, the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court and the Psychiatric Security Review
15 Board related to the exercise of the commission's administrative responsibilities under this section
16 and transferred duties, functions and powers as they occur.

17 (7) The commission may accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source, whether public
18 or private. However, the commission may not accept a gift, grant or contribution if acceptance
19 would create a conflict of interest. Moneys accepted under this subsection shall be deposited in the
20 Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225 and expended for the purposes for
21 which given or granted.

22 **(8) With the approval of a majority of the voting members of the commission, the com-
23 mission may advocate for or against legislation before the Legislative Assembly or policies
24 or budgets being considered by the Legislative Assembly.**

25 **(9) The commission shall request that the Governor include in the Governor's requested
26 budget, for each fiscal period, at a minimum, the amount of funds identified by the com-
27 mission as being necessary to carry out the duties and activities of the commission.**

28 **(10) The commission may adopt rules pursuant to ORS chapter 183.**

29 **SECTION 79. (1) The Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall issue state
30 public defense population forecasts including, but not limited to, expected populations of
31 adults and juveniles eligible for appointed counsel, to be used by:**

32 **(a) The Oregon Public Defense Commission in preparing budget requests; or**

33 **(b) Any other state agency concerned with the effect of public defense populations or
34 policy developments on budgeting.**

35 **(2) The department shall issue state public defense population forecasts on April 1 and
36 October 1 of each year.**

37 **(3) When the department issues a state public defense population forecast, the forecast
38 must:**

39 **(a) Discretely identify adult and juvenile populations that are eligible for appointed
40 counsel categorized by either circuit or appellate court;**

41 **(b) Identify the forecast's margin of error for adult and juvenile populations; and**

42 **(c) Attribute growth or decline in the forecast, relative to previously issued forecasts,
43 to specific policies or to specific components of the baseline underlying the forecast.**

44 **(4) The Oregon Public Defense Commission and the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission
45 shall provide the department with any information necessary for the department to prepare**

1 the forecasts described in this section.

2 (5) As used in this section, “baseline underlying the forecast” includes population demo-
3 graphics and crime trends.

4
5 (Conforming Amendments)
6

7 **SECTION 80.** ORS 8.105, as amended by section 16 of this 2023 Act, is amended to read:

8 8.105. (1) Before making any change to a compensation plan, an administrative division of the
9 judicial department must submit the proposed change to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means
10 during the period when the Legislative Assembly is in session, or to the Emergency Board or the
11 Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means during the interim period between sessions.

12 (2) This section applies to all boards, commissions, committees and departments of the judicial
13 department, as defined in ORS 174.113, including but not limited to [*the Oregon Public Defense*
14 *Commission and*] the Commission on Judicial Fitness and Disability.

15
16 (Operative Dates)
17

18 **SECTION 81.** (1)(a) The Oregon Public Defense Commission is transferred from the judi-
19 cial branch to the executive branch on January 3, 2025.

20 (b) Section 79 of this 2023 Act and the amendments to ORS 8.105, 151.213 and 151.216 by
21 sections 77, 78 and 80 of this 2023 Act become operative on January 3, 2025.

22 (2) The Oregon Public Defense Commission, the Judicial Department, the Oregon De-
23 partment of Administrative Services and the Governor may take any action before the op-
24 erative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to:

25 (a) Facilitate the transfer of the commission to the executive branch;

26 (b) Enable those entities to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in sub-
27 section (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on those entities
28 by section 79 of this 2023 Act and the amendments to ORS 8.105, 151.213 and 151.216 by
29 sections 77, 78 and 80 of this 2023 Act.

30 (3)(a) A person who is a member of the Oregon Public Defense Commission on January
31 3, 2025, may finish the person’s term as a commission member.

32 (b) The person serving as executive director of the Oregon Public Defense Commission
33 on January 3, 2025, may finish the person’s term as executive director.

34
35 CHANGE IN SERVICE DELIVERY MODEL

36 (Temporary Provisions)
37

38 **SECTION 82.** (1)(a) The Oregon Public Defense Commission shall conduct a survey and
39 economic analysis to establish a formula for the commission to use to calculate an hourly
40 pay rate for appointed counsel who are not employees of the commission that takes into
41 account overhead expenses, market rates and regional differences in the cost of living.

42 (b) The commission may conduct the survey and economic analysis internally or may
43 contract with an outside entity. The survey and economic analysis must be completed and
44 the hourly pay rate calculated no later than April 1, 2024.

45 (c) After the hourly pay rate described in paragraph (a) of this subsection has been cal-

1 **culated, the hourly pay for appointed counsel who are not employees of the commission may**
2 **not be lower than that amount, and shall be adjusted to reflect the same percentage amount**
3 **of any positive cost of living adjustment granted to employees in the management service in**
4 **other executive branch agencies.**

5 **(d) The commission may conduct another survey and economic analysis as described in**
6 **this subsection to establish a new formula and calculate a new hourly pay rate.**

7 **(2)(a) By January 1, 2031, at least 20 percent of all appointed counsel at the trial level**
8 **must be attorneys employed by the Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

9 **(b) By January 1, 2035, at least 30 percent of all appointed counsel at the trial level must**
10 **be attorneys employed by the Oregon Public Defense Commission.**

11 **SECTION 83. Section 82 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2035.**

12
13 **(Statutory Changes)**
14

15 **SECTION 84. ORS 151.216, as amended by sections 3 and 78 of this 2023 Act, is amended to**
16 **read:**

17 151.216. (1) The Oregon Public Defense Commission shall:

18 (a) Establish and maintain a public defense system that ensures the provision of public defense
19 services consistent with the Oregon Constitution, the United States Constitution and Oregon and
20 national standards of justice.

21 (b) Adopt policies for public defense providers that:

22 (A) Ensure compensation, resources and caseloads are in accordance with national and regional
23 best practices; and

24 (B) Provide for public defense provider compensation and resources that are comparable to
25 prosecution compensation and resources.

26 (c) Submit the budget of the commission to the Legislative Assembly after the budget is sub-
27 mitted to the commission by the executive director and approved by the voting members of the
28 commission. The chairperson of the commission shall present the budget to the Legislative Assem-
29 bly.

30 (d) Adopt a compensation plan, classification system and affirmative action plan for the com-
31 mission that are commensurate with other state agencies.

32 (e) Adopt policies, procedures, standards and guidelines regarding:

33 (A) The determination of financial eligibility of persons entitled to be represented by appointed
34 counsel at state expense;

35 (B) The appointment of counsel, including the appointment of counsel at state expense regard-
36 less of financial eligibility in juvenile delinquency matters;

37 (C) The fair compensation of counsel appointed to represent a person financially eligible for
38 appointed counsel at state expense;

39 (D) Appointed counsel compensation disputes;

40 (E) The costs associated with the representation of a person by appointed counsel in the state
41 courts that are required to be paid by the state;

42 (F) The qualifications required for senior staff of the commission; and

43 (G) The types of fees and expenses subject to a preauthorization requirement.

44 (f) Reimburse the State Court Administrator from funds deposited in the Public Defense Services
45 Account established by ORS 151.225 for the costs of personnel and other costs associated with lo-

1 cation of eligibility verification and screening personnel pursuant to ORS 151.489 by the State Court
2 Administrator.

3 (g) Establish minimum standards for the delivery of public defense services that provide for the
4 effective assistance of counsel to eligible persons throughout this state. The minimum standards
5 must be designed to ensure that public defense services meet all requirements for the effective as-
6 sistance of counsel under statute and the Oregon and United States Constitutions.

7 (h) Establish and implement policies, procedures, standards and guidelines necessary to guaran-
8 tee the right of eligible persons to the assistance of counsel as required by statute and by the
9 Oregon and United States Constitutions.

10 (i) Develop and oversee the implementation, enforcement and modification of minimum policies,
11 procedures, standards and guidelines to ensure that public defense providers are providing effective
12 assistance of counsel consistently to all eligible persons in this state as required by statute and the
13 Oregon and United States Constitutions. The policies, procedures, standards and guidelines de-
14 scribed in this paragraph apply to employees of the commission and to any entity that contracts
15 with the commission to provide public defense services in this state.

16 (j) Set minimum standards by which appointed counsel are trained and supervised.

17 (k) Establish procedures for the mandatory collection of data concerning the operation of the
18 commission and all public defense providers.

19 (L) Enter into contracts to bring the delivery of public defense services into compliance with
20 the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines described in this subsection.

21 (m) At least once every two years, report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
22 related to the judiciary, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, and to the Governor and Chief
23 Justice, concerning compliance metrics for the minimum standards described in this subsection and
24 recommendations for legislative changes.

25 (n) Develop standard operating expectations for persons providing public defense services.

26 (o) In consultation with the Judicial Department, ensure the existence of policies that create a
27 standardized process for determining and verifying financial eligibility for appointed counsel under
28 ORS 151.485.

29 (p) Centralize services and resources, including training, so that the services and resources can
30 be utilized by both commission employees and public service providers who contract with the com-
31 mission.

32 (q) Establish any other policies, procedures, standards and guidelines for the conduct of the
33 commission's affairs and promulgate policies necessary to carry out all powers and duties of the
34 commission.

35 (2) When establishing the minimum policies, procedures, standards and guidelines described in
36 this section, the commission shall adhere to the following principles:

37 (a) Appointed counsel shall be provided sufficient time and a space where attorney-client
38 confidentiality is safeguarded for meetings with clients.

39 (b) The workload of appointed counsel must be controlled to permit effective representation.
40 Economic disincentives or incentives that impair the ability of appointed counsel to provide effective
41 assistance of counsel must be avoided. The commission may develop workload controls to enhance
42 appointed counsel's ability to provide effective representation.

43 (c) The ability, training and experience of appointed counsel must match the nature and com-
44 plexity of the case to which the counsel is appointed.

45 (d) The same appointed counsel shall continuously represent a client throughout the pendency

1 of the case and shall appear at every court appearance other than ministerial hearings.

2 (e) The commission shall establish continuing legal education requirements relevant to the
3 practice of public defense or juvenile representation for public defense providers who are employed
4 by or contract with the commission.

5 (f) The commission and public defense providers shall systematically review appointed counsel
6 for efficiency and for effective representation according to commission standards.

7 (3) The commission shall be organized in a manner for the effective delivery of public defense
8 services as prescribed by the policies and procedures created pursuant to statute to financially eli-
9 gible persons and consistent with the budgetary structure established for the commission by the
10 Legislative Assembly.

11 (4) The commission shall [*hire attorneys to serve as appointed counsel at the trial level in Oregon*
12 *circuit courts, and may*] establish a trial division within the commission consisting of attorneys em-
13 ployed by the commission who are trial-level public defense providers.

14 **(5)(a) The commission shall establish, supervise and maintain a panel of qualified counsel**
15 **that may be directly assigned to cases. The commission shall develop a process for certi-**
16 **fication to the panel with periodic eligibility and case review.**

17 **(b) The payment of panel counsel may not provide a financial conflict of interest or eco-**
18 **nomical incentives or disincentives that impair an attorney's ability to provide effective rep-**
19 **resentation.**

20 **(c) The commission may enter into contracts for the provision of public defense services**
21 **with nonprofit organizations that employ public defense attorneys.**

22 **(d) The commission may not enter into a contract or agreement that pays appointed**
23 **counsel a flat fee per case.**

24 [(5)] (6) The policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission must be
25 made available in an accessible manner to the public on the commission's Internet website.

26 [(6)] (7) Policies, procedures, standards and guidelines adopted by the commission supersede any
27 conflicting rules, policies or procedures of the Public Defender Committee, State Court Administra-
28 tor, circuit courts, the Court of Appeals, the Supreme Court and the Psychiatric Security Review
29 Board related to the exercise of the commission's administrative responsibilities under this section
30 and transferred duties, functions and powers as they occur.

31 [(7)] (8) The commission may accept gifts, grants or contributions from any source, whether
32 public or private. However, the commission may not accept a gift, grant or contribution if accept-
33 ance would create a conflict of interest. Moneys accepted under this subsection shall be deposited
34 in the Public Defense Services Account established by ORS 151.225 and expended for the purposes
35 for which given or granted.

36 [(8)] (9) With the approval of a majority of the voting members of the commission, the commis-
37 sion may advocate for or against legislation before the Legislative Assembly or policies or budgets
38 being considered by the Legislative Assembly.

39 [(9)] (10) The commission shall request that the Governor include in the Governor's requested
40 budget, for each fiscal period, at a minimum, the amount of funds identified by the commission as
41 being necessary to carry out the duties and activities of the commission.

42 [(10)] (11) The commission may adopt rules pursuant to ORS chapter 183.

43 **SECTION 85.** ORS 151.219, as amended by section 4 of this 2023 Act, is amended to read:

44 151.219. (1) The executive director of the Oregon Public Defense Commission shall:

45 (a) Appoint a deputy director of the commission who serves at the pleasure of the executive

1 director.

2 (b) Hire necessary staff for the commission.

3 (c) Recommend to the commission how to establish and maintain, in a cost-effective manner, the
4 delivery of legal services to persons entitled to, and, where applicable, financially eligible for, ap-
5 pointed counsel at state expense under Oregon statutes, the Oregon Constitution, the United States
6 Constitution and consistent with Oregon and national standards of justice.

7 (d) Implement and ensure compliance with contracts, policies, procedures, standards and guide-
8 lines adopted by the commission or required by statute.

9 (e) Prepare and submit to the commission for its approval the biennial budget of the commission.

10 (f) Negotiate contracts, as appropriate, for providing legal services to persons eligible for ap-
11 pointed counsel at state expense **in accordance with ORS 151.216 (5)**.

12 (g) Employ personnel or contract for services as necessary to carry out the responsibilities of
13 the executive director and the commission.

14 (h) Supervise the personnel, operation and activities of the commission.

15 (i) Provide services, facilities and materials necessary for the performance of the duties, func-
16 tions and powers of the commission.

17 (j) Pay the expenses of the commission.

18 (k) Prepare and submit to the members of the commission an annual report of the activities of
19 the commission.

20 (L) Provide for legal representation, advice and consultation for the commission, its members,
21 the executive director and staff of the commission who require such services or who are named as
22 defendants in lawsuits arising from their duties, functions and responsibilities. If requested by the
23 executive director, the Attorney General may also provide for legal representation, advice and
24 consultation for the commission, its members, the executive director and staff of the commission in
25 litigation.

26 (m) Assist the commission in developing standard operating expectations for persons providing
27 public defense services. The executive director may establish a standards advisory group to assist
28 in developing the expectations.

29 (2) The executive director may designate persons as representatives of the executive director for
30 the purposes of determining and paying bills submitted to the commission and determining preau-
31 thorization for incurring fees and expenses under ORS 135.055.

32
33 **(Reporting to Legislature)**
34

35 **SECTION 86. (1) No later than May 15, 2024, the Oregon Public Defense Commission shall**
36 **provide a comprehensive report on the commission's plan for providing public defense ser-**
37 **vices in this state to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the ju-**
38 **diiciary, in the manner described in ORS 192.245, that includes at least the following**
39 **information:**

40 (a) **Financial projections for the commission based on anticipated workload;**

41 (b) **A description of the commission's proposed method for providing public defense ser-**
42 **vices based on anticipated workload;**

43 (c) **The establishment of training and supervision requirements for public defense pro-**
44 **viders;**

45 (d) **Steps taken to determine a reasonable hourly rate for appointed counsel who are not**

1 employees of the commission that accounts for overhead expenses; and

2 (e) Steps taken to improve oversight and enforcement of statewide objective standards
3 for the provision of public defense.

4 (2) Beginning no later than December 1, 2025, and biennially thereafter until December
5 1, 2035, the commission shall provide the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly
6 related to the judiciary with an updated version of the report described in subsection (1) of
7 this section.

8 **SECTION 87.** Section 86 of this 2023 Act is repealed on January 2, 2036.

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10 (Operative Dates)

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12 **SECTION 88.** (1) Sections 82 and 86 of this 2023 Act and the amendments to ORS 151.216
13 and 151.219 by sections 84 and 85 of this 2023 Act become operative on July 1, 2025.

14 (2) The Oregon Public Defense Commission, the Oregon Department of Administrative
15 Services and the Governor may take any action before the operative date specified in sub-
16 section (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the commission to exercise, on and
17 after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions
18 and powers conferred on those entities by sections 82 and 86 of this 2023 Act and the
19 amendments to ORS 151.216 and 151.219 by sections 84 and 85 of this 2023 Act.

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21 CAPTIONS

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23 **SECTION 89.** The unit captions used in this 2023 Act are provided only for the conven-
24 ience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any
25 legislative intent in the enactment of this 2023 Act.

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27 EMERGENCY CLAUSE

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29 **SECTION 90.** This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
30 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect
31 on its passage.
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