

Oregon Public Defense Commission

Reduction Options

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Selection Criteria

Guiding Principle: Prioritization of Core Responsibilities and the maintenance of programmatic integrity.

- Protect constitutionally-mandated public defense services to indigent clients;
- Limit impacts to agency positions working to ensure the timely delivery of defense services; and
- Prioritize the continuation of reductions in the unrepresented-persons crisis.

Reduction options do not reflect agency value judgments as to program effectiveness or quality.

Agency Process

Identifying and Ranking Reductions.

- Non-constitutionally and non-statutory mandated items were ranked first (e.g., discovery reimbursement, internal agency reductions).
- Other reductions were ranked according to potential impact.

Stakeholder Engagement.

- The Agency Director had a high-level discussion with Commission members at OPDC's October Commission Meeting.
- Stakeholders, including representatives of providers, were consulted after reduction lists were posted on OLIS.

Reduction Options (First 2.5% - \$17,039,212)

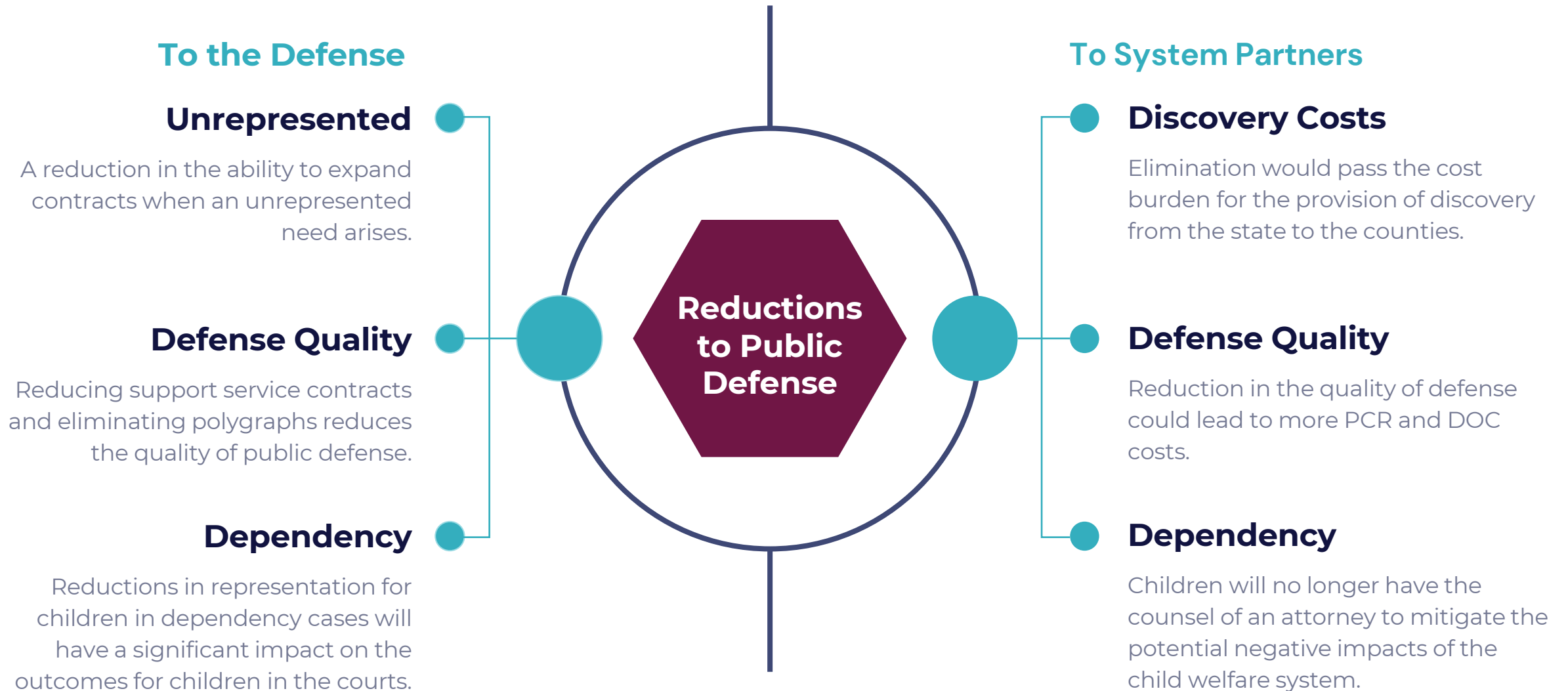
Amount	Reduction Option	Gov Target?	One Time?	Statutory Change?
\$1.75M	Reduce County Discovery Payments	N	N	N
\$1.75M	Eliminate County Discovery Payments	N	N	N
	Internal Agency Reduction Options	N		
\$180K	18 Months of Rent for OPDC Trial Division	Y	N	N
\$100K	Agency Training Reduction	Y	Y	N
\$300K	Polygraph Funding Reduction	Y	N	N
\$33K	Training and Travel Reduction	Y	Y	N
\$461K	Job Rotation Reimbursement	Y	Y	N
\$46K	Vacancy Savings (Resource Counsel Position, 3 mos)	Y	Y	N
\$105K	Vacancy Savings (OS2 Position, 18 mos)	N	Y	N
\$50K	Services and Supplies	N	Y	N
\$813K	Eliminate Representation for Civil Protection Proceedings	N	N	N
\$600K	Eliminate 2 nd Year Funding for Forensic Justice Project Contract	N	N	N
\$600K	Eliminate 2 nd Year Funding for OJRC Immigrant Rights Project	N	N	N
\$5M	Adult Trial Division Contract Funding for Providers	N	Y	N
\$2.75M	Court Mandated Expenses	N	Y	N
\$2.5M	Adult Trial Division Contract Funding for Providers	N	Y	N

Reduction Options (Second 2.5% - \$17,083,677)

Amount	Reduction Option	Gov Target?	One Time?	Statutory Change?
\$2.5M	Adult Trial Division Contract Funding for Providers	N	Y	N
\$5M	Adult Trial Division Contract Funding for Providers	N	Y	N
\$4.588M	Juvenile Contract Funding	N	N	Y
\$3.087M	Parent Child Representation Funding	N	N	Y
\$561K	Preauthorized Expenses Reduction	N	Y	Y
\$1.346M	Court Mandated Expenses Reduction	N	Y	Y

Impacts

Reductions carry potential risks to service delivery or the system as a whole.



Minimizing Potential Impacts

Some budget reduction options would have minimal impacts on service delivery (either to indigent clients and/or service providers).

- Savings in rent by shifting OPDC trial team staff to local courthouses in the Portland metro area.
- Reductions in training, services, and supplies, holding positions vacant.

The majority of reductions, however, risk impacting the provision of public defense services or carry the risk of merely shifting costs.

Thank You

