Enrolled Senate Bill 753

Sponsored by Senator MORRISETTE

CHAPTER	

AN ACT

Relating to ombudsmen; amending ORS 182.500.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 182.500 is amended to read:

182.500. (1) If an agency or officer of the executive department, as defined by ORS 174.112, designates a person to perform ombudsman services, the person shall report to the Governor in writing at least once each quarter. A report shall include a summary of the services that the person provided during the quarter and the person's recommendations for improving ombudsman services and the services for which the person provides assistance.

- (2) All public bodies, as defined by ORS 174.109, shall cooperate with an ombudsman established or specifically authorized by law, or designated by the Governor, and shall promptly provide all information requested by the ombudsman that is relevant to the duties of the ombudsman. Any person that contracts with a public body, as defined by ORS 174.109, shall cooperate with an ombudsman established or authorized by law or designated by the Governor to the extent the ombudsman is investigating matters related to the contract, and shall promptly provide all information requested by the ombudsman that is related to the contract and relevant to the duties of the ombudsman. An agency or officer of the executive department, as defined by ORS 174.112, shall consult with the Attorney General if there is any legal dispute relating to:
- (a) Whether confidential or other restricted information may be provided under this subsection to an ombudsman: or
- (b) Whether the ombudsman is seeking information that is relevant to the duties of the ombudsman.

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