

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass with Amendments to the A-Eng. Measure (Printed B-Eng.)

Vote: 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Bonamici, Boquist, Dingfelder, Whitsett, Prozanski

Nays: 0

Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 5/21, 5/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Modifies crime of sex abuse in the third degree to include intentionally propelling a dangerous substance at another person. Clarifies that act must be done with intent to gratify the sexual desire of offender.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Provisions of the measure

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Categorizes crime of propelling a dangerous substance at another with intent to sexually gratify as sex abuse in the third degree, a Class A misdemeanor.

BACKGROUND: Under HB 2478B, “dangerous substance” is defined as blood, urine, semen or feces. Under current law, if a person intentionally threw these substances on another person they could be charged with harassment, a Class B misdemeanor.