

House Bill 2664

Sponsored by Representative OLSON, Senator PROZANSKI

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 **as introduced**.

Grants Oregon Criminal Justice Commission authority to apply for and receive gifts and grants, administer grants to carry out duties of commission and enter into contracts for certain purposes. Exempts contracts from application of certain public contracting provisions.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to Oregon Criminal Justice Commission; amending ORS 137.656.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 137.656 is amended to read:

5 137.656. (1) The purpose of the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission is to improve the effec-
6 tiveness and efficiency of state and local criminal justice systems by providing a centralized and
7 impartial forum for statewide policy development and planning.

8 (2) The primary duty of the commission is to develop and maintain a state criminal justice policy
9 and comprehensive, long-range plan for a coordinated state criminal justice system that encompasses
10 public safety, offender accountability, crime reduction and prevention and offender treatment and
11 rehabilitation. The plan must include, but need not be limited to, recommendations regarding:

12 (a) Capacity, utilization and type of state and local prison and jail facilities;

13 (b) Implementation of community corrections programs;

14 (c) Alternatives to the use of prison and jail facilities;

15 (d) Appropriate use of existing facilities and programs;

16 (e) Whether additional or different facilities and programs are necessary;

17 (f) Methods of assessing the effectiveness of juvenile and adult correctional programs, devices
18 and sanctions in reducing future criminal conduct by juvenile and adult offenders;

19 (g) Methods of reducing the risk of future criminal conduct; and

20 (h) The effective utilization of local public safety coordinating councils.

21 (3) Other duties of the commission are:

22 (a) To conduct joint studies by agreement with other state agencies, boards or commissions on
23 any matter within the jurisdiction of the commission.

24 (b) To provide Oregon criminal justice analytical and statistical information to federal agencies
25 and serve as a clearinghouse and information center for the collection, preparation, analysis and
26 dissemination of information on state and local sentencing practices.

27 (c) To provide technical assistance and support to local public safety coordinating councils.

28 (d) To receive grant applications to start or expand drug court programs as defined in ORS
29 3.450, to make rules to govern the grant process and to award grant funds according to the rules.

30 (4) The commission shall establish by rule the information that must be submitted under ORS
31 137.010 (9) and the methods for submitting the information. A rule adopted under this subsection

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 must be approved by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court before it takes effect.

2 **(5) The commission may:**

3 **(a) Apply for and receive gifts and grants from any public or private source.**

4 **(b) Award grants from funds appropriated by the Legislative Assembly to the commission**
5 **or from funds otherwise available from any other source, for the purpose of carrying out the**
6 **duties of the commission.**

7 **(c) Enter into contracts for the purchase or other acquisition, transfer or disposition of**
8 **supplies, materials, equipment, products, other personal property and services. The pro-**
9 **visions of ORS 279.835 to 279.855 and ORS chapters 279A, 279B and 279C do not apply to**
10 **contracts entered into by the commission under this section.**

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