

Executive Appointments Legislative Review
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OFFICE: Director of the Department of Corrections

APPOINTEE: Colette Peters of Salem; New appointment replacing Williams

APPOINTMENT/CONFIRMATION AUTHORITY: ORS 423.075

TERM: Four -year term: March 1, 2012 – December 31, 2016

ECONOMIC INTEREST FILING (ORS 244.050): Not required.

STATUTORY QUALIFICATIONS: ORS 423.075

Affirmative action policy: See ORS 182.100. Diversity criteria: See ORS 236.115.

- Four-year term, serving at the pleasure of the Governor.

DUTIES AND AUTHORITY: ORS 423.075, 423.076, 423.085, 135.980, others

- Provide programs for the delivery to the public of the services assigned to the department and to undertake long-range planning necessary for the effective and efficient delivery of these services.
- Organize and reorganize the department in whatever manner the director deems necessary to conduct the work of the department.
Appoint deputy director, all subordinate superintendents, and officers and employees of the department, prescribe their duties and fix their compensation
Delegate to departmental employees such responsibilities and authority as the director determines to be necessary
Provide for the safety of all prisoners in the custody of the department
- Adopt rules for the government and administration of the department.
- Designate an individual corrections officer or classification of corrections officer all the powers and authority of a peace officer over inmates.
- Appoint an unclassified employee to the position of Administrator of Correctional Education
- Compile and maintain a directory of public and private rehabilitative programs known and available to corrections agencies of the state and of each county (ORS 135.980)
- Serve as ex-officio member of the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision (ORS 144.005)
- Act as advisor to the Advisory Commission on Prison Terms and Parole Standards (ORS 144.775)
- Publish and distribute a manual of recommended guidelines for the operation of local correctional facilities and lockups as developed by a jail standards committee appointed by the director (ORS 169.090)
- Serve as member of Board on Public Safety Standards and Training (ORS 181.620), Criminal Justice Information Standards Advisory Board (ORS 181.725), and Juvenile Crime Prevention Advisory Committee (ORS 417.845)
- Hold hearings (when requested by another state) with regard to the Western Interstate Corrections Compact (ORS 421.290)
- Hold hearings in proposed prison site region (ORS 421.641)
- Form Prison Advisory Committee (ORS 421.651)