

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Courtney, Dingfelder, Kruse, Whitsett, Prozanski
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	2/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Provides technical fix to statute defining strangulation. Replaces “conviction” with “crime” in statute. Specifies crime of strangulation is Class C felony if person committing crime of strangulation was previously convicted of (1) assault in the third degree, (2) assault in the second degree, (3) assault in the first degree, or (4) menacing, and victim in previous conviction is same individual as victim of current crime.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of House Bill 2940 (2011)
- Need for technical fix to statute

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces original measure.

BACKGROUND: Under current Oregon law, a person may be convicted of a Class C felony if the person has previously been convicted of assault in the first, second, or third degree, or menacing, and the victim in the previous conviction is the same person as in the present conviction. Senate Bill 1527A provides a technical fix, changing “conviction” to “crime” to better aid prosecution of the crime of strangulation.