

Senate Bill 1557

Sponsored by Senator TELFER (Pre-session filed.)

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**.

Makes consumption of controlled substance by person under 21 years of age unlawful. Punishes by maximum fine of \$1,000, or \$2,000 if violation committed while operating motor vehicle.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to unlawful consumption of controlled substances; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2012 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 475.752 to**
5 **475.980.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) It is unlawful for any person under 21 years of age to knowingly or in-**
7 **entionally consume a controlled substance unless the substance is consumed:**

8 (a) **In accordance with a valid prescription or order of a practitioner given in the course**
9 **of professional practice; or**

10 (b) **As otherwise authorized by ORS 475.005 to 475.285 and 475.752 to 475.980 or by ORS**
11 **475.300 to 475.346.**

12 (2) **Unlawful consumption of a controlled substance by a person under 21 years of age is**
13 **a Class B violation.**

14 (3) **Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, unlawful consumption of a controlled**
15 **substance by a person under 21 years of age is a Class A violation if the person violates**
16 **subsection (1) of this section while the person is operating a motor vehicle, as defined in ORS**
17 **801.360.**

18 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2012 Act applies to unlawful consumption of a controlled**
19 **substance on or after the effective date of this 2012 Act.**

20 **SECTION 4. This 2012 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
21 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2012 Act takes effect**
22 **on its passage.**

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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.