



Legislative Testimony

Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association

March 6, 2013

The Honorable Floyd Prozanski, Chair
The Honorable Betsy Close, Vice-Chair
Senate Judiciary Committee, Members

RE: Senate Bill 124

Dear Chair Prozanski and Members,

The Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association (OCDLA) is an organization of attorneys who represent juveniles and adults in delinquency, dependency, and criminal prosecutions and appeals throughout the state of Oregon. Thank you for the opportunity to submit the following comments regarding Senate Bill 124.

OCDLA appreciates and thanks the Oregon State Bar for submitting SB 124. SB 124 is a simple, yet effective tool to ensure that defense counsel, district attorneys and courts are mindful when a servicemember-defendant is sentenced for a crime that may be related to, or caused by residual consequences from the defendant's military service. This consideration is fitting and proper, and OCDLA urges the Committee's support of the bill.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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