



Senate Bill 726

Sponsored by Senator OLSEN; Senator BOQUIST

SUMMARY

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Provides that person commits crime of arson in the second degree or arson in the first degree if person manufactures controlled substance and causes fire or explosion that damages property.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to arson caused by the manufacture of controlled substances; creating new provisions; and
3 amending ORS 164.315 and 164.325.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 164.315 is amended to read:

6 164.315. (1) A person commits the crime of arson in the second degree if:

7 (a) By starting a fire or causing an explosion, the person intentionally damages:

8 (A) Any building of another that is not protected property; or

9 (B) Any property of another and the damages to the property exceed \$750; or

10 (b) By knowingly engaging in the manufacture of [*methamphetamine*] **a controlled substance**,
11 the person causes fire or causes an explosion that damages property described in paragraph (a) of
12 this subsection.

13 (2) Arson in the second degree is a Class C felony.

14 (3) **As used in this section, "controlled substance" and "manufacture" have the meanings**
15 **given those terms in ORS 475.005.**

16 **SECTION 2.** ORS 164.325 is amended to read:

17 164.325. (1) A person commits the crime of arson in the first degree if:

18 (a) By starting a fire or causing an explosion, the person intentionally damages:

19 (A) Protected property of another;

20 (B) Any property, whether the property of the person or the property of another person, and
21 such act recklessly places another person in danger of physical injury or protected property of an-
22 other in danger of damage; or

23 (C) Any property, whether the property of the person or the property of another person, and
24 recklessly causes serious physical injury to a firefighter or peace officer acting in the line of duty
25 relating to the fire; or

26 (b) By knowingly engaging in the manufacture of [*methamphetamine*] **a controlled substance**,
27 the person causes fire or causes an explosion that damages property described in paragraph (a) of
28 this subsection.

29 (2) Arson in the first degree is a Class A felony.

30 (3) **As used in this section, "controlled substance" and "manufacture" have the meanings**
31 **given those terms in ORS 475.005.**

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 **SECTION 3.** The amendments to ORS 164.315 and 164.325 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2015
2 Act apply to crimes committed on or after the effective date of this 2015 Act.
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