

**Fiscal:** Has minimal fiscal impact

**Revenue:** No Revenue Impact

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**Action Date:** 05/18/15

**Action:** Do Pass.

**Meeting Dates:** 05/18

**Vote:**

Yeas: 8 - Barker, Barton, Greenlick, Krieger, Lininger, Olson, Post, Williamson

Exc: 1 - Sprenger

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Amends Disorderly Conduct statute. Elevates offense classification for those who falsely report hazardous substance, fire, explosion, catastrophe, or other emergency in all public buildings and court facilities to a Class A Misdemeanor for first offense, to a Class C Felony for each subsequent offense.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of measure
- Whether “swatting” would be prohibited by bill

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Currently, ORS 166.025 defines Disorderly Conduct in the Second Degree, which makes it a Class B Misdemeanor to initiate a false report about a hazardous substance, fire, explosion, catastrophe, or other emergency. ORS 166.023 defines the offense of Disorderly Conduct in the First Degree which is an elevated offense if the location of the false report is a school. Disorderly Conduct in the First Degree is a Class A Misdemeanor for the first offense, and a Class C Felony for each subsequent offense.

Senate Bill 919 adds court facilities and all public buildings to locations where the false report becomes an elevated offense.