

# House Bill 2320

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## SUMMARY

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Decreases penalty for crime of cheating to maximum of one year's imprisonment, \$6,250 fine, or both.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to crime; amending ORS 167.167.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 167.167 is amended to read:

5 167.167. (1) A person commits the crime of cheating if the person, while in the course of par-  
6 ticipating or attempting to participate in any legal or illegal gambling activity, directly or indirectly:

7 (a) Employs or attempts to employ any device, scheme or artifice to defraud any other partic-  
8 ipant or any operator;

9 (b) Engages in any act, practice or course of operation that operates or would operate as a fraud  
10 or deceit upon any other participant or any operator;

11 (c) Engages in any act, practice or course of operation with the intent of cheating any other  
12 participant or the operator to gain an advantage in the game over the other participant or operator;  
13 or

14 (d) Causes, aids, abets or conspires with another person to cause any other person to violate  
15 paragraphs (a) to (c) of this subsection.

16 (2) As used in this section, "deceit," "defraud" and "fraud" are not limited to common law deceit  
17 or fraud.

18 (3) Cheating is a [*Class C felony*] **Class A misdemeanor**.  
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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.