

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 3468**

Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMSON

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to crime; amending ORS 162.375 and 163.275.

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

**SECTION 1.** ORS 163.275 is amended to read:

163.275. (1) A person commits the crime of coercion when the person compels or induces another person to engage in conduct from which the other person has a legal right to abstain, or to abstain from engaging in conduct in which the other person has a legal right to engage, by means of instilling in the other person a fear that, if the other person refrains from the conduct compelled or induced or engages in conduct contrary to the compulsion or inducement, the actor or another will:

(a) Unlawfully cause physical injury to some person;

**(b) Unlawfully cause physical injury to some animal;**

[(b)] (c) Unlawfully cause damage to property;

[(c)] (d) Engage in conduct constituting a crime;

[(d)] (e) Falsely accuse some person of a crime or cause criminal charges to be instituted against the person;

[(e)] (f) Cause or continue a strike, boycott or other collective action injurious to some person's business, except that such a threat is not deemed coercive when the act or omission compelled is for the benefit of the group in whose interest the actor purports to act;

[(f)] (g) Testify falsely or provide false information or withhold testimony or information with respect to another's legal claim or defense; or

[(g)] (h) Unlawfully use or abuse the person's position as a public servant by performing some act within or related to official duties, or by failing or refusing to perform an official duty, in such manner as to affect some person adversely.

(2) Coercion is a Class C felony.

**SECTION 2.** ORS 162.375 is amended to read:

162.375. (1) A person commits the crime of initiating a false report if the person knowingly initiates a false alarm or report [which] **that** is transmitted to a fire department, law enforcement agency or other organization that deals with emergencies involving danger to life or property.

(2) Initiating a false report is a Class A misdemeanor.

(3)(a) The court shall include in the sentence of any person convicted under this section a requirement that the person repay the costs incurred in responding to and investigating the false report.

**(b) If the response to the false report involved the deployment of a law enforcement special weapons and tactics (SWAT) team or a similar law enforcement group, the court shall impose, and may not suspend, a term of incarceration of at least 10 days.**

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