A-Engrossed House Bill 3468

Ordered by the Senate June 8 Including Senate Amendments dated June 8

Sponsored by Representative WILLIAMSON

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Adds threatening to cause physical injury to animal to induce other person to engage in conduct as manner of committing crime of coercion.

Requires court to order sentence of at least 10 days' imprisonment when person is convicted of crime of initiating a false report and response to false report involved deployment of SWAT team or similar group.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to crime; amending ORS 162.375 and 163.275.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 163.275 is amended to read:

5 163.275. (1) A person commits the crime of coercion when the person compels or induces another

6 person to engage in conduct from which the other person has a legal right to abstain, or to abstain

7 from engaging in conduct in which the other person has a legal right to engage, by means of in-

8 stilling in the other person a fear that, if the other person refrains from the conduct compelled or

9 induced or engages in conduct contrary to the compulsion or inducement, the actor or another will:

10 (a) Unlawfully cause physical injury to some person;

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

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

13 [(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;

16 [(e)] (f) Cause or continue a strike, boycott or other collective action injurious to some person's 17 business, except that such a threat is not deemed coercive when the act or omission compelled is 18 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.

24 (2) Coercion is a Class C felony.

25 SECTION 2. ORS 162.375 is amended to read:

26 162.375. (1) A person commits the crime of initiating a false report if the person knowingly ini-

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1 tiates a false alarm or report [which] that is transmitted to a fire department, law enforcement

2 agency or other organization that deals with emergencies involving danger to life or property.

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

4 (3)(a) The court shall include in the sentence of any person convicted under this section a re-5 quirement that the person repay the costs incurred in responding to and investigating the false re-6 port.

7 (b) If the response to the false report involved the deployment of a law enforcement 8 special weapons and tactics (SWAT) team or a similar law enforcement group, the court

9 shall impose, and may not suspend, a term of incarceration of at least 10 days.

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