

Senate Bill 790

Sponsored by Senator HANSELL (at the request of Dr. Andrew Clark)

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 **as introduced**.

Requires Department of Justice to encourage and support services, programs and curricula to educate and inform students in grades 7 through 12 about domestic violence.

Requires school district boards to adopt policies that incorporate age-appropriate education about domestic violence into training programs for students in grades 7 through 12 and school employees.

Authorizes Department of Human Services to make grants to and enter into contracts with nonprofit private organizations or public agencies for programs and projects designed to prevent, identify and treat domestic violence.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to domestic violence; amending ORS 147.453, 339.366, 409.290 and 409.292.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 147.453 is amended to read:

5 147.453. There is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund,
6 the Oregon Domestic and Sexual Violence Services Fund. All moneys in the fund are continuously
7 appropriated to the Department of Justice and shall be used by the department to carry out a pro-
8 gram of domestic and sexual violence services that:

9 (1) Provides safety for and assists victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, promotes ef-
10 fective intervention and reduces the incidence of domestic violence and sexual assault;

11 (2) Advocates for victims and for domestic violence and sexual assault services;

12 (3) Promotes and facilitates interagency and interdepartmental cooperation among state agen-
13 cies, including the Department of Human Services, and among different levels of government in this
14 state in the delivery and funding of services; and

15 (4) Encourages and supports services, programs and curricula to educate and inform students in
16 grades 7 through 12 about teen dating violence **and domestic violence**, to provide assistance to
17 victims of teen dating violence **and domestic violence**, and to prevent and reduce the incidence of
18 teen dating violence **and domestic violence**.

19 **SECTION 2.** ORS 339.366 is amended to read:

20 339.366. (1) As used in this section:

21 (a) "Dating" or "dating relationship" means an ongoing social relationship of a romantic or in-
22 timate nature between two persons. "Dating" or "dating relationship" does not include a casual re-
23 lationship or ordinary fraternization between two persons in a business or social context.

24 (b) "**Domestic violence**" means abuse as defined in ORS 107.705 between family and
25 household members, as those terms are defined in ORS 107.705.

26 [(b)] (c) "Teen dating violence" means:

27 (A) A pattern of behavior in which a person uses or threatens to use physical, mental or emo-
28 tional abuse to control another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one

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 or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age; or

2 (B) Behavior by which a person uses or threatens to use sexual violence against another person
3 who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age.

4 (2) Each school district board shall adopt a policy that:

5 (a) States that teen dating violence is unacceptable and is prohibited and that each student has
6 the right to a safe learning environment;

7 (b) Incorporates age-appropriate education about teen dating violence **and domestic violence**
8 into new or existing training programs for students in grades 7 through 12 and school employees
9 as recommended by the school officials identified under paragraph (d) of this subsection;

10 (c) Establishes procedures for the manner in which employees of a school are to respond to in-
11 cidents of teen dating violence that take place at the school, on school grounds, at school-sponsored
12 activities or in vehicles used for school-provided transportation;

13 (d) Identifies by job title the school officials who are responsible for receiving reports related
14 to teen dating violence, which shall be the same school officials identified in the policy adopted by
15 a school district under ORS 339.356; and

16 (e) Notifies students and parents of the teen dating violence policy adopted by the board.

17 (3) The policy adopted under subsection (2) of this section must be included in and consistent
18 with the policy adopted by a school district under ORS 339.356.

19 **SECTION 3.** ORS 409.290 is amended to read:

20 409.290. As used in ORS 409.290 to 409.300 unless the context requires otherwise:

21 (1) "Crisis line" means an emergency telephone service staffed by persons who are trained to
22 provide emergency peer counseling, information, referral and advocacy to victims of family or teen
23 dating violence and their families.

24 (2) "Director" means the Director of Human Services.

25 (3) **"Domestic violence" means abuse as defined in ORS 107.705 between family and**
26 **household members, as those terms are defined in ORS 107.705.**

27 [(3)] (4) "Family violence" means the physical injury, sexual abuse or forced imprisonment, or
28 threat thereof, of a person by another who is related by blood, marriage or intimate cohabitation
29 at the present or has been related at some time in the past, to the extent that the person's health
30 or welfare is harmed or threatened thereby, as determined in accordance with rules prescribed by
31 the director.

32 [(4)] (5) "Safe house" means a place of temporary refuge, offered on an "as needed" basis to
33 victims of family violence and their families.

34 [(5)] (6) "Shelter home" means a place of temporary refuge, offered on a 24-hour, seven-day per
35 week basis to victims of family violence and their children.

36 [(6)] (7) "Teen dating violence" means:

37 (a) A pattern of behavior in which a person uses or threatens to use physical, mental or emo-
38 tional abuse to control another person who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one
39 or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age; or

40 (b) Behavior by which a person uses or threatens to use sexual violence against another person
41 who is in a dating relationship with the person, where one or both persons are 13 to 19 years of age.

42 **SECTION 4.** ORS 409.292 is amended to read:

43 409.292. (1) The Director of Human Services may make grants to and enter into contracts with
44 nonprofit private organizations or public agencies for programs and projects designed to prevent,
45 identify and treat family, **domestic** and teen dating violence. Grants or contracts under this sub-

1 section may be:

2 (a) For the funding of shelter homes for spouses and children who are or have experienced
3 family violence **or domestic violence** including acquisition and maintenance of shelter homes;

4 (b) For the funding of crisis lines providing services to victims of family, **domestic** or teen
5 dating violence and their families;

6 (c) For the funding of safe houses for victims of family **or domestic** violence and their families;

7 (d) For the funding of services, programs and curricula to educate and inform students in grades
8 7 through 12 about teen dating **and domestic** violence, to provide assistance to victims of teen
9 dating **and domestic** violence and to prevent and reduce the incidence of teen dating **and domestic**
10 violence; and

11 (e) For the development and establishment of programs for professional and paraprofessional
12 personnel in the fields of social work, law enforcement, education, law, medicine and other relevant
13 fields who are engaged in the field of the prevention, identification and treatment of family, **do-**
14 **mestic** and teen dating violence and training programs in methods of preventing family, **domestic**
15 and teen dating violence.

16 (2) The director shall not make a grant to any organization or agency under this section except
17 on the condition that a local governmental unit or community organization provide matching moneys
18 equal to 25 percent of the amount of the grant. The applying organization itself may contribute to
19 or provide the required local matching funds. The value of in kind contributions and volunteer labor
20 from the community may be computed and included as a part of the local matching requirement
21 imposed by this subsection.

22 (3) Notwithstanding the provisions of ORS 192.001 to 192.170, 192.210 to 192.505 and 192.610 to
23 192.990:

24 (a) The director may by rule provide that the locations of premises utilized for shelter homes
25 or other physical facilities in family **and domestic** violence programs and projects shall be kept
26 confidential.

27 (b) All information maintained by the shelter home, safe house or crisis line relating to clients
28 is confidential. However, crisis lines specifically funded to provide services for victims of child abuse
29 are subject to the requirements of ORS 419B.005 to 419B.050. Except for the names of clients, nec-
30 essary information may be disclosed to the director.

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