

# Senate Bill 973

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## 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**.

Eliminates statute of limitations for first-degree sex crimes.  
Refers Act to people for their approval or rejection at next regular general election.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to statute of limitations; and providing that this Act shall be referred to the people for their approval or rejection.

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

### ELIMINATES STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR FIRST-DEGREE SEX CRIMES

**SECTION 1. Notwithstanding ORS 131.125 and 138.698, a prosecution for any of the following crimes may be commenced at any time after the commission of the crime:**

- (1) Rape in the first degree under ORS 163.375.**
- (2) Sodomy in the first degree under ORS 163.405.**
- (3) Unlawful sexual penetration in the first degree under ORS 163.411.**
- (4) Sexual abuse in the first degree under ORS 163.427.**

## CAPTIONS

**SECTION 2. The unit captions used in this 2015 Act are provided only for the convenience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any legislative intent in the enactment of this 2015 Act.**

## REFERRAL

**SECTION 3. This 2015 Act shall be submitted to the people for their approval or rejection at the next regular general election held throughout this state.**

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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.