

Senate Bill 658

Sponsored by Senator OLSEN, Representative KENNEMER

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**.

Directs Department of Corrections to conduct study on sexual assault within women's correctional facilities and to report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to judiciary on or before February 1, 2018.

Requires appointing authority to dismiss department or Oregon Corrections Enterprises employee convicted of sex crime committed against inmate or other employee.

Requires department to adopt policy for reduction and prevention of sexual abuse and sexual harassment, and to publish policy on Internet website.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to sexual assault in correctional facilities; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. The Department of Corrections shall conduct a study on incidents of sexual**
5 **assault that occur within department correctional facilities for women and present the re-**
6 **sults of the study in a report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related**
7 **to the judiciary in the manner provided under ORS 192.245 on or before February 1, 2018.**

8 **SECTION 2. (1) An appointing authority shall dismiss from employment an employee of**
9 **the Department of Corrections or Oregon Corrections Enterprises as unfit to render effec-**
10 **tive service to the employer, or as unable to fully and faithfully perform the duties of the**
11 **position satisfactorily, upon the employee's conviction of a sex crime committed against an**
12 **inmate or against another department or Oregon Corrections Enterprises employee.**

13 (2) As used in this section, "sex crime" has the meaning given that term in ORS 163A.005.

14 **SECTION 3. The Department of Corrections shall adopt a written policy containing pro-**
15 **cedures and practices for the reduction and prevention of sexual abuse and sexual**
16 **harassment within facilities owned or operated by the department. The department shall**
17 **make the policy available to the public by publishing the policy on an Internet website.**

18 **SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2017 Act applies to employment contracts or agreements**
19 **entered into or renewed on or after the effective date of this 2017 Act.**

20 **SECTION 5. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
21 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect**
22 **on its passage.**

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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.