

House Bill 2977

Sponsored by Representative SMITH WARNER

SUMMARY

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Expands definition of "outdoor mass gathering" to include gathering that continues beyond 120 hours to provide ingress and egress from gathering provided that gathering is located at least 60 miles away from interstate highway.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to outdoor mass gatherings; amending ORS 433.735; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 433.735 is amended to read:

5 433.735. As used in ORS 433.735 to 433.770 and 433.990 (7):

6 (1)(a) "Outdoor mass gathering," unless otherwise defined by county ordinance, means an actual
7 or reasonably anticipated assembly of more than 3,000 persons which continues or can reasonably
8 be expected to continue for more than 24 consecutive hours but less than 120 hours within any
9 three-month period and which is held primarily in open spaces and not in any permanent structure.

10 (b) "Outdoor mass gathering" includes an outdoor mass gathering defined in paragraph
11 (a) of this subsection that is:

12 (A) Reasonably expected to continue for more than 120 consecutive hours only for the
13 purpose of providing adequate time for ingress to and egress from the gathering; and

14 (B) Located 60 miles or more away from an interstate highway.

15 (2) "Organizer" includes any person who holds, stages or sponsors an outdoor mass gathering
16 and the owner, lessee or possessor of the real property upon which the outdoor mass gathering is
17 to take place.

18 (3) "Permanent structure" includes a stadium, an arena, an auditorium, a coliseum, a fairgrounds
19 or other similar established places for assemblies.

20 (4) "Temporary structure" includes tents, trailers, chemical toilet facilities and other structures
21 customarily erected or sited for temporary use.

22 **SECTION 2. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
23 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect**
24 **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.
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