Senate Bill 407

Sponsored by Senator BENTZ (at the request of Rick Page) (Presession filed.)

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.

Provides that if defendant who commits wildlife law offense has previous conviction for violating wildlife laws, upon request of defendant court must consider defendant income before imposing fine for offense.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to sentencing for wildlife law offenses.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2019 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 496.

SECTION 2. If a defendant convicted of an offense classified under ORS 496.992 has a previous conviction for violating the wildlife laws, upon request by the defendant a court shall consider the income level of the defendant before imposing any fine for the offense. Consideration of income under this section is in addition to any discretionary consideration by the court of other circumstances in aggravation or mitigation of punishment.

SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2019 Act applies to sentences imposed on or after the effective date of this 2019 Act for wildlife law offenses occurring before, on or after the effective date of this 2019 Act.