Senate Bill 423

Sponsored by Senators FREDERICK, MANNING JR; Senators BURDICK, DEMBROW, MONNES ANDERSON, RILEY, ROBLAN, TAYLOR, WAGNER (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.

Prohibits law enforcement agencies from employing person as law enforcement officer unless person has completed psychological screening to determine person's fitness to serve as law enforcement officer.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to psychological screening for law enforcement officers; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, “law enforcement agency” and “law enforcement officer” have the meanings given those terms in ORS 133.741.

(2) A law enforcement agency may not employ a person as a law enforcement officer unless the person has completed a psychological screening to determine the person's fitness to serve as a law enforcement officer.

(3) The psychological screening required by subsection (2) of this section must be conducted by a licensed mental health professional.

(4) The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training shall establish by rule standards and procedures for conducting a psychological screening under this section.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2020.

SECTION 3. The Board on Public Safety Standards and Training may take any action before the operative date specified in section 2 of this 2019 Act that is necessary for the board to exercise, on and after the operative date specified in section 2 of this 2019 Act, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred on the board by section 1 of this 2019 Act.

SECTION 4. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019 regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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.