

SB 1546-4  
(LC 201)  
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Requested by SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY (at the request of the Oregon State Sheriffs' Association)

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
SENATE BILL 1546**

1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, after “131.925,” insert “181A.485,”.

2 On page 9, after line 14, insert:

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4 **“LAW ENFORCEMENT PSYCHOLOGICAL SCREENINGS**

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6 **“SECTION 13.** ORS 181A.485 is amended to read:

7 “181A.485. (1) As used in this section:

8 “(a) ‘Law enforcement agency’ means a public body, as defined in ORS  
9 174.109, that employs law enforcement officers to enforce criminal laws.

10 “(b) ‘Law enforcement officer’ means a police officer, reserve officer or  
11 certified reserve officer, as those terms are defined in ORS 181A.355.

12 “(2) A law enforcement agency may not employ a person as a law  
13 enforcement officer unless the person has completed a psychological screen-  
14 ing to determine the person’s fitness to serve as a law enforcement officer.

15 “(3) The psychological screening required by subsection (2) of this section  
16 must be conducted by a licensed mental health professional who meets the  
17 qualifications and training requirements established by the Board on Public  
18 Safety Standards and Training by rule.

19 **“(4) Notwithstanding subsection (2) of this section, a law enforce-  
20 ment agency may employ a person as a law enforcement officer who  
21 has not completed the psychological screening required by this section**

1 **if:**

2 **“(a) The person was previously employed within the same law**  
3 **enforcement agency as a corrections officer as defined in ORS**  
4 **181A.355; and**

5 **“(b) Prior to or as a condition of the previous employment, the**  
6 **person completed a psychological screening conducted by a licensed**  
7 **mental health professional with qualifications and training similar to**  
8 **a professional conducting a screening under this section.**

9 **“[(4)] (5) The board shall establish by rule:**

10 **“(a) The qualifications and training necessary for a licensed mental**  
11 **health professional to conduct a psychological screening under this section;**  
12 **and**

13 **“(b) Standards and procedures for conducting a psychological screening**  
14 **under this section.”.**

15 In line 18, delete “13” and insert “14”.

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