SB 497 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110 Implementation

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the court to ensure that a when a person is convicted of certain crimes involving domestic violence the judgment document reflects that the conviction qualifies as a designated person misdemeanor as defined by the measure. Provides that a county, for purposes of grant-in-aid funding from the Department of Corrections for community corrections, is responsible for supervision, sanctions and services for offenders convicted of designated person misdemeanors. States that a person convicted of certain designated person misdemeanors qualifies for earned reduction to term of probation. Provides that justice courts and municipal courts do not have jurisdiction over designated person misdemeanors.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Removes language stating that justice courts and municipal courts do not have jurisdiction over designated person misdemeanors.

BACKGROUND:

Under current statute, each county, in partnership with the Oregon Department of Corrections, is required to assume responsibility for community-based supervision, sanctions and services for offenders convicted of felonies, or designated drug-related misdemeanors.

Senate Bill 497 requires counties assume responsibility for community-based supervision for designated domestic violence misdemeanors as well.