

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2204**

Ordered by the House June 21  
Including House Amendments dated June 21

Sponsored by Representative WILDE (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.

*[Provides that public safety officer who represents that person is acting as employee or agent of public body is acting in scope of employment for purposes of Oregon Tort Claims Act.]*

*[Increases damages limitations under Oregon Tort Claims Act for claims for acts or omissions of public safety officers. Provides for award of attorney fees.]*

*[Provides that person may bring civil action for damages incurred as result of police officer's failure to report or intervene in misconduct.]*

*[Expands statewide online database maintained by Department of Public Safety Standards and Training to include settlements of claims against police officers involving misconduct. Requires department to investigate settlements to determine if discipline is warranted.]*

**Directs Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to establish program to award grants for restorative justice programs. Directs commission to report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to judiciary concerning awarding of grants.**

**Declares emergency, effective on passage.**

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to public safety; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission shall establish a program to award grants to public and private entities for restorative justice programs.**

**(2) The commission shall adopt rules to administer the grant program described in subsection (1) of this section. The rules must:**

**(a) Define restorative justice for the purpose of grant eligibility criteria.**

**(b) Specify the application process and eligibility criteria for the grant program, including a requirement that:**

**(A) Each applicant demonstrate in the application coordination with community-based organizations and the ability to work collaboratively with system partners, including local law enforcement entities, courts, district attorneys and defense attorneys.**

**(B) Each successful applicant demonstrate in the application how the applicant will center the experiences of those harmed, encourage those who have caused harm to take responsibility and repair the harm, and support persons who have been harmed, impacted community members and responsible parties in identifying solutions that promote healing, including promoting dialogue and mutual agreement.**

**(c) Include a methodology for reviewing and approving grant applications and distributing grant funds.**

**(3) The commission shall convene an advisory committee to evaluate and approve grant awards under this section.**

**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.

1       **SECTION 2.** (1) No later than September 15, 2022, the Oregon Criminal Justice Commis-  
2 sion shall report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judi-  
3 ciary, in the manner described in ORS 192.245, concerning the commission's progress in  
4 adopting rules under section 1 (2) of this 2021 Act and convening an advisory committee un-  
5 der section 1 (3) of this 2021 Act, and any grants awarded to date.

6       (2) No later than September 15, 2023, the commission shall provide to the interim com-  
7 mittees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary, in the manner described in ORS  
8 192.245, an update to the information reported under subsection (1) of this section.

9       (3) When adopting rules described in section 1 (2)(a) of this 2021 Act defining restorative  
10 justice, the commission shall consult with the Racial Justice Council within the Office of the  
11 Governor and shall evaluate best practices.

12       **SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 1, 2024.

13       **SECTION 4.** This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public  
14 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect  
15 on its passage.  
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