Senate Bill 455

Sponsored by Senator KNOPP (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.

Creates crime of threatening to commit a terroristic act. Punishes by maximum of five years' imprisonment, $125,000 fine, or both.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to threatening to commit a terroristic act; creating new provisions; amending ORS 161.005; and prescribing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. (1) A person commits the crime of threatening to commit a terroristic act if:

(a) The person intentionally causes fear or terror to another person by conveying a threat to cause unlawful serious physical injury or death to two or more persons, one of whom is the other person, in a public place;

(b) The person expresses the intent to carry out the threat; and

(c) A reasonable person would:

(A) Be placed in fear or terror by the threat; and

(B) Believe that the threat was likely to be carried out.

(2) Threatening to commit a terroristic act is a Class C felony.

(3) A threat under this section may be conveyed orally, in writing or telephonically, or may be an electronic threat as defined in ORS 166.065.

SECTION 2. ORS 161.005 is amended to read:

161.005. ORS 161.005 to 161.055, 161.085 to 161.125, 161.150 to 161.175, 161.190 to 161.275, 161.290 to 161.373, 161.405 to 161.485, 161.505 to 161.585, 161.605 to 161.615 to 161.65 to 161.685, 161.705 to 161.737, 162.005, 162.015 to 162.035, 162.055 to 162.115, 162.135 to 162.205, 162.225 to 162.375, 162.405 to 162.425, 162.465, 163.005, 163.05 to 163.107, 163.115, 163.125 to 163.145, 163.149, 163.16 to 163.208, 163.196, 163.215 to 163.257, 163.261, 163.263, 163.264, 163.266, 163.275, 163.285, 163.305 to 163.467, 163.432, 163.433, 163.472, 163.505 to 163.575, 163.665 to 163.693, 163.700, 163.701, 163.715, 164.005, 164.015 to 164.135, 164.138, 164.140, 164.205 to 164.270, 164.305 to 164.377, 164.395 to 164.415, 164.805, 164.857, 164.886, 165.002 to 165.102, 165.109, 165.118, 165.805, 165.815, 166.005 to 166.095, 166.350, 166.382, 166.384, 166.660, 167.002 to 167.027, 167.057, 167.060 to 167.100, 167.117, 167.122 to 167.162, 167.203 to 167.252, 167.310 to 167.340, 167.350, 167.810 and 167.820 and section 1 of this 2021 Act shall be known and may be cited as Oregon Criminal Code of 1971.

SECTION 3. This 2021 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2021 regular session of the Eighty-first 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.

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