Senate Bill 603

Sponsored by Senator FREDERICK (at the request of Lucinda Hites-Clabaugh) (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.**

Directs Oregon Criminal Justice Commission to study establishment of Innocence Commission and system to compensate wrongfully convicted persons, and to provide results of study to interim committees of Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2021.

Sunsets January 2, 2022.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to wrongful convictions; and prescribing an effective date.
- 3 Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission shall study the establishment 5 of:
 - (a) An Innocence Commission to investigate claims of prosecutorial misconduct, find and examine exculpatory evidence and oversee reconciliation hearings following wrongful conviction.
 - (b) A system to compensate persons who have been wrongfully convicted of crimes.
 - (2) The commission shall provide the results of the study in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly in the manner provided under ORS 192.245 no later than December 31, 2021.
 - SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 2, 2022.
- 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.

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