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To: Senate Interim Committee on Judiciary

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Subject: Summary of Committee Legislative Concepts for 2024

1. LC 218 (Dated 12/28/23) Relating to construction agreements

Provides that a public body may not include certain provisions relating to payment of its defense costs in a contract with a person or entity providing architecture, landscape architecture, engineering, photogrammetric mapping, transportation planning, land surveying services or related services.

2. LC 228 (Placeholder, Dated 1/2/24) Relating to civil matters

Directs the Judicial Department to study civil laws in this state. This placeholder will be amended to include (1) authorization for the Attorney General to disclose documents obtained in consumer data privacy investigations or enforcement actions to the Attorney General's hired experts, and (2) privacy protections for minors' personal injury settlements. It may also include (3) temporary adjustments to the recreational immunity statutes, pending stakeholder input about what may be needed in 2024 while workgroup discussions continue during the interim.

3. LC 202 (Omnibus, Dated 1/5/24) Relating to public safety

Designates as a sex crime abuse of a corpse in the first degree that involves sexual activity. Operative date of January 1, 2025.

Clarifies that humane special agents commissioned under ORS 181.345 are "law enforcement officials" for the purpose of receiving driver's license and identification card photos from the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and adds humane special agents to those who may request disclosure of personal information from ODOT under ORS 802.179. Operative date of January 1, 2025.

Modifies for consistency references for definitions of "law enforcement agency" and "law enforcement officer" as they relate to the Commission on Statewide Law Enforcement Standards of Conduct and Discipline. Operative date of January 1, 2025.

Clarifies that hearings of the State Board of Parole and Post Prison Supervision and hearings of the Psychiatric Security Review Board are exempt from the requirement that a meeting be published online. Applies to hearings conducted before, on or after the effective date of the Act. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.