

SB 567 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Judiciary

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Meeting Dates: 2/1

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Modifies definition of “sexual contact” for purposes of Oregon Criminal Code.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

Currently, under ORS 163.305, “Sexual contact” means any touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person, or causing such person to touch the sexual or other intimate parts of the actor, for the purpose of arousing or gratifying the sexual desire of either party.

Senate Bill 567 would modify the definition to require a person act intentionally when engaging in sexual contact under the current definition and would expand the definition to include when a person is acting with the intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, annoy or degrade the person.