A-Engrossed House Bill 2594

Ordered by the Senate May 12 Including Senate Amendments dated May 12

Sponsored by Representative MORGAN; Representatives LEVY B, SCHARF, Senators GOLDEN, THATCHER (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.

Modifies penalties for throwing lighted material onto certain property. Punishes by [maximum of \$1,000 fine,] maximum of \$2,000 fine, or [if commission of offense creates risk of wildfire and] maximum of six months' imprisonment, \$2,500 fine, or both, if [commission of offense creates extreme risk of wildfire] conduct results in ignition of fire or occurs within forest protection district during fire season.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to throwing lighted material onto certain property; creating new provisions; and amending
- 3 ORS 476.990.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 476.990 is amended to read:
- 6 476.990. (1) Violation of ORS 476.150 (2) is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 7 (2) Violation of ORS 476.380 (1) is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 8 (3) Violation of ORS 476.410 to 476.440 is a Class C misdemeanor.
- 9 (4) Violation of any provision of ORS 476.510 to 476.610 is a Class A misdemeanor.
- 10 (5) Subject to ORS 153.022, violation of ORS 476.710 [or 476.715] or of any rule or regulation of

11 the State Parks and Recreation Department promulgated thereunder is a Class B misdemeanor.

- 12 (6)(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this subsection, violation of ORS 476.715 is 13 a Class A violation.
- 14 (b) Violation of ORS 476.715 is a Class B misdemeanor if the conduct constituting the 15 offense:
- 16 (A) Results in the ignition of a fire; or
- (B) Occurs within a forest protection district organized under ORS 477.225, or a part
 thereof, for which a fire season has been designated pursuant to ORS 477.505.
- 19 <u>SECTION 2.</u> The amendments to ORS 476.990 by section 1 of this 2023 Act apply to con-20 duct occurring on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.
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