Senate Bill 567

Sponsored by Senators GELSER BLOUIN, KNOPP; Senator DEMBROW, Representative GRAYBER (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.

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

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to sex crimes; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 163.305.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 163.305 is amended to read:

163.305. As used in chapter 743, Oregon Laws 1971, unless the context requires otherwise:

(1) “Forcible compulsion” means to compel by:

(a) Physical force; or

(b) A threat, express or implied, that places a person in fear of immediate or future death or physical injury to self or another person, or in fear that the person or another person will immediately or in the future be kidnapped.

(2) “Mentally incapacitated” means that a person is rendered incapable of appraising or controlling the conduct of the person at the time of the alleged offense.

(3) “Oral or anal sexual intercourse” means sexual conduct between persons consisting of contact between the sex organs of one person and the mouth or anus of another.

(4) “Physically helpless” means that a person is unconscious or for any other reason is physically unable to communicate unwillingness to an act.

(5) “Sexual contact” means any intentional touching of the sexual or other intimate parts of a person, or intentionally 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 or with the intent to abuse, humiliate, harass, annoy or degrade the person.

(6) “Sexual intercourse” has its ordinary meaning and occurs upon any penetration, however slight; emission is not required.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 163.305 by section 1 of this 2023 Act apply to conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.