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Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY (at the request of Representative Jason Kropf)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 2519

- On page 1 of the printed bill, line 2, delete "creating new provisions; amending ORS 692.375;".
- In line 6, after "not" insert "knowingly".
- Delete lines 20 through 30 and delete page 2 and insert:
- "SECTION 3. (1) The estate of a decedent whose remains are dis-
- 6 played in violation of section 2 of this 2023 Act may bring a civil action
- 7 for injunctive relief, damages or other appropriate relief against any
- 8 person whose conduct in connection with the display is unlawful under
- 9 section 2 of this 2023 Act.
- 10 "(2) Upon prevailing in an action brought under this section, the 11 plaintiff may recover:
- 12 "(a) Both special and general damages, including damages for 13 emotional distress; and
- 14 "(b) Punitive damages.
- 15 "(3)(a) The court shall award reasonable attorney fees to the pre-16 vailing plaintiff in an action brought under this section.
- "(b) The court may award reasonable attorney fees and expert witness fees incurred by a defendant who prevails in the action if the
 court determines that the plaintiff had no objectively reasonable basis
 for asserting a claim or no reasonable basis for appealing an adverse
 decision of a trial court.

"SECTION 4. Sections 2 and 3 of this 2023 Act apply to conduct occurring on or after the effective date of this 2023 Act.

"SECTION 5. This 2023 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2023 Act takes effect on its passage."

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