

A-Engrossed
Senate Bill 1121

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Including Senate Amendments dated April 14

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act creates a new crime about disclosing private data. The Act also exempts some media from a data privacy law. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.2).

[Digest: The Act creates a new crime about disclosing private data. (Flesch Readability Score: 69.7).]

Creates the crime of unlawful disclosure of private information. Punishes by a maximum of six months' imprisonment, \$2,500 fine, or both.

Creates an exception in a consumer data privacy law for specified noncommercial educational broadcast stations.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to the disclosure of private information; creating new provisions; and amending ORS
3 161.005 and 646A.572.

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

5 **SECTION 1. (1) A person commits the crime of unlawful disclosure of private information**
6 **if:**

7 (a) **The person, with the intent to stalk, harass or injure another person, knowingly**
8 **causes the other person's personal information to be disclosed;**

9 (b) **The person knows or reasonably should have known that the other person did not**
10 **consent to the disclosure; and**

11 (c)(A) **The other person is stalked or injured as a result of the disclosure; or**

12 (B) **The other person is harassed by the disclosure, and a reasonable person would be**
13 **harassed by the disclosure.**

14 (2) **Unlawful disclosure of private information is a Class B misdemeanor.**

15 (3) **As used in this section:**

16 (a) **"Disclose" includes, but is not limited to, transfer, publish, distribute, exhibit, adver-**
17 **tise and offer.**

18 (b) **"Harass" means to subject another to severe emotional distress such that the other**
19 **person experiences anxiety, fear, torment or apprehension that may or may not result in a**
20 **physical manifestation of severe emotional distress or a mental health diagnosis and is pro-**
21 **tracted rather than merely trivial or transitory.**

22 (c) **"Injure" means to subject another to bodily injury or death.**

23 (d) **"Personal information" means:**

24 (A) **A person's home address, personal electronic mail address, personal phone number**
25 **or Social Security number;**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 (B) Contact information for a person’s employer;

2 (C) Contact information for a family member of a person;

3 (D) Photographs of a person’s child; or

4 (E) Identification of the school that a person’s child attends.

5 (e) “Stalk” means conduct constituting the crime of stalking under ORS 163.732 or con-
6 duct that would give rise to an action for issuance or violation of a stalking protective order
7 under ORS 30.866.

8 **SECTION 2.** ORS 161.005 is amended to read:

9 161.005. ORS 161.005 to 161.055, 161.065, 161.085 to 161.125, 161.150 to 161.175, 161.190 to
10 161.275, 161.290 to 161.373, 161.405 to 161.485, 161.505 to 161.585, 161.605, 161.615 to 161.685, 161.705
11 to 161.737, 162.005, 162.015 to 162.035, 162.055 to 162.115, 162.135 to 162.205, 162.225 to 162.375,
12 162.405 to 162.425, 162.465, 163.005, 163.095, 163.107, 163.115, 163.125 to 163.145, 163.149, 163.160 to
13 163.208, 163.191, 163.196, 163.215 to 163.257, 163.261, 163.263, 163.264, 163.266, 163.275, 163.285,
14 163.305 to 163.467, 163.429, 163.432, 163.433, 163.472, 163.505 to 163.575, 163.665 to 163.693, 163.700,
15 163.701, 163.715, 164.005, 164.015 to 164.135, 164.138, 164.140, 164.205 to 164.270, 164.305 to 164.377,
16 164.395 to 164.415, 164.805, 164.857, 164.886, 165.002 to 165.102, 165.109, 165.118, 165.805, 165.815,
17 166.005 to 166.095, 166.119, 166.125, 166.128, 166.350, 166.382, 166.384, 166.660, 167.002 to 167.027,
18 167.057, 167.060 to 167.100, 167.117, 167.122 to 167.162, 167.203 to 167.252, 167.310 to 167.340, 167.350,
19 167.810 and 167.820 **and section 1 of this 2025 Act** shall be known and may be cited as Oregon
20 Criminal Code of 1971.

21 **SECTION 3.** ORS 646A.572 is amended to read:

22 646A.572. (1) ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589 apply to any person that conducts business in this state,
23 or that provides products or services to residents of this state, and that during a calendar year,
24 controls or processes:

25 (a) The personal data of 100,000 or more consumers, other than personal data controlled or
26 processed solely for the purpose of completing a payment transaction; or

27 (b) The personal data of 25,000 or more consumers, while deriving 25 percent or more of the
28 person’s annual gross revenue from selling personal data.

29 (2) ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589 do not apply to:

30 (a) A public corporation, including the Oregon Health and Science University and the Oregon
31 State Bar, or a public body, as defined in ORS 174.109;

32 (b) Protected health information that a covered entity or business associate processes in ac-
33 cordance with, or documents that a covered entity or business associate creates for the purpose of
34 complying with, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, and
35 regulations promulgated under the Act, as in effect on January 1, 2024;

36 (c) Information used only for public health activities and purposes described in 45 C.F.R. 164.512,
37 as in effect on January 1, 2024;

38 (d) Information that identifies a consumer in connection with:

39 (A) Activities that are subject to the Federal Policy for the Protection of Human Subjects, cod-
40 ified as 45 C.F.R. part 46 and in various other federal regulations, as in effect on January 1, 2024;

41 (B) Research on human subjects undertaken in accordance with good clinical practice guidelines
42 issued by the International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceu-
43 ticals for Human Use;

44 (C) Activities that are subject to the protections provided in 21 C.F.R. parts 50 and 56, as in
45 effect on January 1, 2024; or

1 (D) Research conducted in accordance with the requirements set forth in subparagraphs (A) to
2 (C) of this paragraph or otherwise in accordance with applicable law;

3 (e) Patient identifying information, as defined in 42 C.F.R. 2.11, as in effect on January 1, 2024,
4 that is collected and processed in accordance with 42 C.F.R. part 2;

5 (f) Patient safety work product, as defined in 42 C.F.R. 3.20, as in effect on January 1, 2024, that
6 is created for purposes of improving patient safety under 42 C.F.R. part 3;

7 (g) Information and documents created for the purposes of the Health Care Quality Improvement
8 Act of 1986, 42 U.S.C. 11101 et seq., and implementing regulations, both as in effect on January 1,
9 2024;

10 (h) Information that originates from, or that is intermingled so as to be indistinguishable from,
11 information described in paragraphs (b) to (g) of this subsection that a covered entity or business
12 associate, or a program of a qualified service organization, as defined in 42 C.F.R. 2.11, as in effect
13 on January 1, 2024, creates, collects, processes, uses or maintains in the same manner as is required
14 under the laws, regulations and guidelines described in paragraphs (b) to (g) of this subsection;

15 (i) Information processed or maintained solely in connection with, and for the purpose of, ena-
16 bling:

17 (A) An individual's employment or application for employment;

18 (B) An individual's ownership of, or function as a director or officer of, a business entity;

19 (C) An individual's contractual relationship with a business entity;

20 (D) An individual's receipt of benefits from an employer, including benefits for the individual's
21 dependents or beneficiaries; or

22 (E) Notice of an emergency to persons that an individual specifies;

23 (j) Any activity that involves collecting, maintaining, disclosing, selling, communicating or using
24 information for the purpose of evaluating a consumer's creditworthiness, credit standing, credit ca-
25 pacity, character, general reputation, personal characteristics or mode of living if done strictly in
26 accordance with the provisions of the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. 1681 et seq., as in effect
27 on January 1, 2024, by:

28 (A) A consumer reporting agency, as defined in 15 U.S.C. 1681a(f), as in effect on January 1,
29 2024;

30 (B) A person who furnishes information to a consumer reporting agency under 15 U.S.C. 1681s-2,
31 as in effect on January 1, 2024; or

32 (C) A person who uses a consumer report as provided in 15 U.S.C. 1681b(a)(3);

33 (k) Information collected, processed, sold or disclosed under and in accordance with the follow-
34 ing federal laws, all as in effect on January 1, 2024:

35 (A) The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, P.L. 106-102, and regulations adopted to implement that Act;

36 (B) The Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994, 18 U.S.C. 2721 et seq.;

37 (C) The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232g and regulations adopted
38 to implement that Act; and

39 (D) The Airline Deregulation Act, P.L. 95-504, only to the extent that an air carrier collects
40 information related to prices, routes or services and only to the extent that the provisions of the
41 Airline Deregulation Act preempt ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589;

42 (L) A financial institution, as defined in ORS 706.008, or a financial institution's affiliate or
43 subsidiary that is only and directly engaged in financial activities, as described in 12 U.S.C. 1843(k),
44 as in effect on January 1, 2024;

45 (m) Information that originates from, or is intermingled so as to be indistinguishable from, in-

1 formation described in paragraph (k)(A) of this subsection and that a licensee, as defined in ORS
2 725.010, collects, processes, uses or maintains in the same manner as is required under the laws and
3 regulations specified in paragraph (k)(A) of this subsection;

4 (n) An insurer, as defined in ORS 731.106, other than a person that, alone or in combination with
5 another person, establishes and maintains a self-insurance program and that does not otherwise en-
6 gage in the business of entering into policies of insurance;

7 (o) An insurance producer, as defined in ORS 731.104;

8 (p) An insurance consultant, as defined in ORS 744.602;

9 (q) A person that holds a third party administrator license issued under ORS 744.710;

10 (r) A nonprofit organization that is established to detect and prevent fraudulent acts in con-
11 nection with insurance; [*and*]

12 (s) Noncommercial activity of:

13 (A) A publisher, editor, reporter or other person who is connected with or employed by a
14 newspaper, magazine, periodical, newsletter, pamphlet, report or other publication in general circu-
15 lation;

16 (B) A radio or television station that holds a license issued by the Federal Communications
17 Commission;

18 (C) A nonprofit organization that provides programming to radio or television networks; or

19 (D) An entity that provides an information service, including a press association or wire
20 service[.]; **and**

21 **(t) A noncommercial educational broadcast station, as defined in 47 U.S.C. 397, as in ef-**
22 **fect on the effective date of this 2025 Act, that:**

23 **(A) Receives funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting or is a primary entry**
24 **point, national primary or state primary, as defined in 47 C.F.R. 11.18, as in effect on the**
25 **effective date of this 2025 Act; and**

26 **(B) Distributes the noncommercial educational broadcast station's journalism content**
27 **without cost to recipients.**

28 (3) ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589 do not prohibit a controller or processor from:

29 (a) Complying with federal, state or local statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations;

30 (b) Complying with a federal, state or local governmental inquiry, investigation, subpoena or
31 summons related to a civil, criminal or administrative proceeding;

32 (c) Cooperating with a law enforcement agency concerning conduct or activity that the con-
33 troller or processor reasonably and in good faith believes may violate federal, state or local statutes,
34 ordinances, rules or regulations;

35 (d) Investigating, establishing, initiating or defending legal claims;

36 (e) Preventing, detecting, protecting against or responding to, and investigating, reporting or
37 prosecuting persons responsible for, security incidents, identity theft, fraud, harassment or mali-
38 cious, deceptive or illegal activity or preserving the integrity or security of systems;

39 (f) Identifying and repairing technical errors in a controller's or processor's information systems
40 that impair existing or intended functionality;

41 (g) Providing a product or service that a consumer specifically requests from the controller or
42 processor or requests as the parent or guardian of a child on the child's behalf or as the guardian
43 or conservator of a person subject to a guardianship, conservatorship or other protective arrange-
44 ment on the person's behalf;

45 (h) Negotiating, entering into or performing a contract with a consumer, including fulfilling the

- 1 terms of a written warranty;
 - 2 (i) Protecting any person’s health and safety;
 - 3 (j) Effectuating a product recall;
 - 4 (k) Conducting internal research to develop, improve or repair products, services or technology;
 - 5 (L) Performing internal operations that are reasonably aligned with a consumer’s expectations,
 - 6 that the consumer may reasonably anticipate based on the consumer’s existing relationship with the
 - 7 controller or that are otherwise compatible with processing data for the purpose of providing a
 - 8 product or service the consumer specifically requested or for the purpose of performing a contract
 - 9 to which the consumer is a party; or
 - 10 (m) Assisting another controller or processor with any of the activities set forth in this sub-
 - 11 section.
 - 12 (4) ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589 do not apply to the extent that a controller’s or processor’s com-
 - 13 pliance with ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589 would violate an evidentiary privilege under the laws of this
 - 14 state. Notwithstanding the provisions of ORS 646A.570 to 646A.589, a controller or processor may
 - 15 provide personal data about a consumer in a privileged communication to a person that is covered
 - 16 by an evidentiary privilege under the laws of this state.
 - 17 (5) A controller may process personal data in accordance with subsection (3) of this section only
 - 18 to the extent that the processing is adequate and reasonably necessary for, relevant to, propor-
 - 19 tionate in relation to and limited to the purposes set forth in this section.
 - 20 (6) Collection, use and retention of personal data under subsection (3)(e) and (f) of this section
 - 21 must, where applicable, take into account the nature and purpose of the collection, use or retention.
 - 22 The personal data must be subject to reasonable administrative, technical and physical measures to
 - 23 protect the confidentiality, integrity and security of the personal data and reduce reasonably fore-
 - 24 seeable risks of harm to consumers from the collection, use or retention.
 - 25 (7) A controller that claims that the controller’s processing of personal data is exempt under
 - 26 subsection (3) of this section has the burden of demonstrating that the controller’s processing qual-
 - 27 ifies for the exemption and complies with the requirements of subsections (5) and (6) of this section.
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