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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3469

On <u>page 1</u> of the printed bill, line 2, after the semicolon delete the rest of the line and insert "creating new provisions; amending ORS 163.160, 163.187 and 181.433.".

4 On page 2, after line 25, insert:

5 "<u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) ORS 167.349 is added to and made a part of ORS 6 167.310 to 167.351.

"(2) ORS 167.352, 167.360 to 167.372, 167.374, 167.376, 167.385, 167.387,
167.388 and 167.390 are added to and made a part of ORS 167.310 to
167.390.

<sup>10</sup> "SECTION 4. ORS 181.433 is amended to read:

"181.433. (1) At the request of a humane investigation agency, the Superintendent of State Police shall commission a designated employee of the humane investigation agency as a humane special agent, if:

"(a) The employee is certified, or is eligible for certification, as a police
officer under the provisions of ORS 181.610 to 181.712;

"(b) The superintendent determines that the employee is fit and qualified
to perform the duties of a humane special agent;

"(c) The humane investigation agency agrees in writing to save harmless and indemnify the State of Oregon and its officers, employees and agents from and against any tort claim or demand, whether groundless or otherwise, arising out of an alleged act or omission of the employee or the humane investigation agency, that relates to or results from the authority granted by 1 the commission; and

"(d) The humane investigation agency furnishes to the superintendent a copy of an insurance policy, purchased and maintained by the humane investigation agency, that the superintendent determines is sufficient to satisfy any tort claim or demand described in paragraph (c) of this subsection.

6 "(2) Before granting a commission under this section, the superintendent 7 may require the employee to take and subscribe to an oath of office to sup-8 port the Constitution and laws of the United States and of the State of 9 Oregon, and to honestly and faithfully perform the duties of a humane spe-10 cial agent.

11 "(3) The superintendent shall suspend or revoke a commission granted 12 under this section if the superintendent determines that:

"(a) The certification of the employee as a police officer has lapsed or
been revoked pursuant to ORS 181.661, 181.662 and 181.664 (1), and has not
been reissued under ORS 181.664 (2);

"(b) The employee has been separated from employment with the humaneinvestigation agency; or

<sup>18</sup> "(c) The employee has abused the commission.

"(4) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (3) of this section, an 19 employee of a humane investigation agency commissioned under this section 20holds the commission at the pleasure of the superintendent. The superinten-21dent may suspend or revoke a commission granted under this section at any 22time for good cause, as determined by the superintendent. If the superinten-23dent revokes a commission granted under this section, the employee of the 24humane investigation agency is entitled only to an informal opportunity to 25be heard by the superintendent, for the purposes of explaining any factual 26circumstances related to the revocation and attempting to persuade the su-27perintendent to reverse the decision to revoke the commission. 28

"(5) Humane special agents commissioned under this section serve at the
 expense of the humane investigation agency employing the agent.

"(6) The superintendent may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section. The rules may include a description of the circumstances in which a humane special agent is prohibited from carrying a firearm while engaged in the enforcement of animal welfare laws.

5 "(7) As used in this section:

6 "(a) 'Animal welfare laws' means:

"(A) ORS [167.310 to 167.351, 167.352, 167.355, 167.360 to 167.372, 167.374,
167.376, 167.385, 167.388, 167.390] 167.310 to 167.390 and 167.426 to 167.439;
and

"(B) ORS 164.043, 164.045, 164.055, 164.057, 164.075, 164.345, 164.354 and
164.365, if the subject of the crime is an animal.

"(b) 'Humane investigation agency' means a private, nonprofit animal care agency that has maintained an animal welfare investigation department for at least five years and has had officers employed as special agents under ORS 131.805.".

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