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#### SUMMARY

Modifies requirements for database of disciplinary and certification actions relating to police officers and reserve officers established by Department of Public Safety Standards and Training.

Requires law enforcement agencies to report to department when agency imposes disciplinary action with economic consequences on police officer or reserve officer.

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to records of discipline of police officers; creating new provisions;

and amending section 3, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2020 (first special session) (Enrolled House Bill 4207).

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

<u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 3, chapter 7, Oregon Laws 2020 (first special session)
(Enrolled House Bill 4207), is amended to read:

8 Sec. 3. (1) The Department of Public Safety Standards and Training shall 9 establish a statewide online database of [suspensions and revocations of the 10 certifications of police officers that is accessible by the public] disciplinary 11 and certification actions relating to police officers and reserve

12 officers.

(2) The department shall publish information on the database when the
department suspends or revokes the certification of a police officer under
ORS 181A.630, 181A.640 and 181A.650, or when a police officer resigns in
lieu of termination, including but not limited to:

17 (a) The name of the officer;

18 (b) The law enforcement unit at which the officer was employed; and

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1 (c) A description of the facts underlying the suspension [or], revocation or resignation.  $\mathbf{2}$ 

(3) The department shall publish the information required under sub-3 section (2) of this section by prominently posting the information on the 4 department's website for ease of public access within 10 days after:

(a) The resignation; or 6

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(b) In the case of a suspension or revocation of certification:

[(a)] (A) The time for filing an appeal of the department's decision under 8 ORS 181A.650 has passed and no appeal has been filed; or 9

[(b)] (B) The decision of the department is appealed under ORS 181A.650 10 and the department's decision has been sustained by the Court of Appeals 11 12or the appeal has been dropped.

(4)(a) Within 10 days after receiving a report of disciplinary action 13 with economic consequences under section 3 of this 2021 Act, the de-14 partment shall enter the information contained in the report in the 15database. 16

(b) If the disciplinary action with economic consequences is subject 17to arbitration before becoming final, the department shall make the 18 report accessible only to law enforcement agencies until the arbi-19 tration process is complete and the disciplinary action becomes final. 20

(c) Notwithstanding paragraph (b) of this subsection, the depart-21ment shall make a report available to the public before the arbitration 22process is complete and the disciplinary action becomes final when the 23public interest requires disclosure of the report. 24

(d) Within 10 days after the department receives notice under sec-25tion 3 of this 2021 Act that the arbitration process is complete and the 26disciplinary action is final, the department shall publish the report by 27prominently posting the information on the department's website for 28ease of public access. 29

[(4)] (5) No later than September 1 of each year, the department shall 30 submit [an annual] **a** report to an appropriate committee of the Legislative 31

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Assembly summarizing and analyzing the data in the database. The report
 must include, for the previous 12 months:

3 (a) The number of reports of disciplinary action with economic
4 consequences received by the department under section 3 of this 2021
5 Act.

6 (b) Analysis of the types of misconduct that resulted in disciplinary
7 action with economic consequences.

8 (c) Analysis of the types of discipline that were reversed in arbi9 tration.

<u>SECTION 2.</u> Section 3 of this 2021 Act is added to and made a part
 of ORS 181A.355 to 181A.670.

12 **SECTION 3. (1)** As used in this section:

(a) "Disciplinary action with economic consequences" means a corrective or punitive action imposed by a law enforcement agency following an investigation into an officer's alleged misconduct that
deprives the officer of pay, rank, accrued time or other pecuniary
benefits.

(b) "Law enforcement agency" has the meaning given that term in
ORS 181A.775.

20 (c) "Officer" means a police officer or reserve officer.

(2) Within 72 hours after a law enforcement agency imposes disciplinary action with economic consequences on an officer, the law
 enforcement agency shall send a report of the disciplinary action to
 the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training. The report
 must include:

26 (a) The name and rank of the officer;

(b) A description of the economic consequences resulting from the
 disciplinary action;

(c) A description of the reason for the disciplinary action; and
 (d) The current status of the disciplinary action and any related
 arbitration proceedings.

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(3) If a disciplinary action with economic consequences is subject
to arbitration, the law enforcement agency shall promptly notify the
department of the outcome when the arbitration process is complete.
<u>SECTION 4.</u> Section 3 of this 2021 Act does not affect a collective
bargaining agreement entered into before the effective date of this 2021
Act, to the extent compliance with the provisions of section 3 of this

Act, to the extent compliance with the provisions of section 3 of this
2021 Act would conflict with or impair the execution of the terms of
the collective bargaining agreement.

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