

SB 186 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Prozanski

**Senate Committee On Judiciary and Ballot Measure 110
Implementation**

Action Date: 02/11/21
Action: Do pass.
Vote: 4-3-0-0
Yeas: 4 - Dembrow, Gelser, Manning Jr, Prozanski
Nays: 3 - Heard, Linthicum, Thatcher
Fiscal: No fiscal impact
Revenue: No revenue impact
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Meeting Dates: 1/26, 2/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Approves amendments to existing administrative rules adopted by Oregon Criminal Justice Commission.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Process for updating sentencing guidelines
- Discussion on ranking of bias crimes
- Appropriate ranking for attempted or solicitation of Aggravated Murder, Murder 1, or Murder 2
- Six-month process to determine appropriate ranking with broad discussion
- Other state commissions or entities that have rules formalized by the Legislative Assembly

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) was established in 1995. The mission of the CJC is to "improve the legitimacy, efficiency, and effectiveness of state and local criminal justice systems." The CJC is responsible for long-range public safety planning, analyzing capacity and use of jails and prisons, funding and evaluating drug courts, providing a clearinghouse for criminal justice-related data, and staffing the Public Safety Task Force and other committees. The CJC is also required to review all new legislation that creates a new crime or modifies existing crime and make any necessary modifications to the sentencing guidelines to reflect the actions of the Legislative Assembly. Modifications to the sentencing guidelines are made through administrative rule. Under ORS 137.667, the Legislative Assembly must then approve the new rules and amendments.

Senate Bill 186 contains the administrative rules adjusting the guidelines due to enacted or modified crime-related measures.