

HB 2172 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Rep. Kropf

House Committee On Judiciary

Action Date: 04/13/21

Action: Do pass with amendments. (Printed A-Eng.)

Vote: 10-0-0-0

Yeas: 10 - Bynum, Dexter, Helm, Kropf, Lewis, Morgan, Noble, Power, Wallan, Wilde

Fiscal: No fiscal impact

Revenue: Has minimal revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 4/8, 4/13

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Expands eligibility for reduction in sentence of supervision to individuals on post-prison supervision through the Department of Corrections for certain crimes. Amends current restitution payment requirements for compliance with terms of probation or post-prison supervision to be limited to demonstrating a commitment to pay to the extent the person is able. Applies to sentences imposed on or after the effective date of Act.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Narrowed scope of amendments
- Providing incentive for compliance with post-prison supervision requirements
- Effectiveness of existing program on recidivism and successful completion of supervision

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND:

The Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 3194 during the 2013 legislative session, authorizing the Department of Corrections to oversee a statewide Earned Discharge Program, specific to probationers and local control clients. Since the program was established, the Department of Corrections has seen more than 6,300 individuals successfully end their supervision early. Oregon's program is being studied by the Crime and Justice Institute, with results and recommendations expected to be reported on later in 2021. The enactment of Senate Bill 2172 A would result in approximately 2,500 additional individuals per year being eligible to have their supervision terminated early, provided they met certain requirements.

House Bill 2172 A allows individuals serving a period of post-prison supervision to be discharged early from supervision provided they have substantially complied with the terms of their supervision.