## House Bill 2124

Introduced and printed pursuant to House Rule 12.00. Presession filed (at the request of Governor Kate Brown for State Parks and Recreation Department)

## **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 as introduced.

Increases penalties for assault committed against state park enforcement officer. Punishes by maximum of five years' imprisonment, \$125,000 fine, or both.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to the State Parks and Recreation Department; amending ORS 163.165.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
  - **SECTION 1.** ORS 163.165 is amended to read:
    - 163.165. (1) A person commits the crime of assault in the third degree if the person:
- 6 (a) Recklessly causes serious physical injury to another by means of a deadly or dangerous veapon;
  - (b) Recklessly causes serious physical injury to another under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life;
  - (c) Recklessly causes physical injury to another by means of a deadly or dangerous weapon under circumstances manifesting extreme indifference to the value of human life;
  - (d) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes, by means other than a motor vehicle, physical injury to the operator of a public transit vehicle while the operator is in control of or operating the vehicle. As used in this paragraph, "public transit vehicle" has the meaning given that term in ORS 166.116;
  - (e) While being aided by another person actually present, intentionally or knowingly causes physical injury to another;
  - (f) While committed to a youth correction facility, intentionally or knowingly causes physical injury to another knowing the other person is a staff member while the other person is acting in the course of official duty;
  - (g) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes physical injury to an emergency medical services provider, as defined in ORS 682.025, while the emergency medical services provider is performing official duties;
  - (h) Being at least 18 years of age, intentionally or knowingly causes physical injury to a child 10 years of age or younger;
  - (i) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes, by means other than a motor vehicle, physical injury to the operator of a taxi while the operator is in control of the taxi; or
  - (j) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes physical injury to a flagger or a highway worker while the flagger or highway worker is performing official duties.
  - (k) Intentionally, knowingly or recklessly causes physical injury to a state park enforcement officer while the officer is performing official duties.

**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

3

5

8

9

10

11 12

13

14

15

16 17

18 19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29 30

31

- 1 (2)(a) Assault in the third degree is a Class C felony.
  - (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, assault in the third degree under subsection (1)(a) or (b) of this section is a Class B felony if:
    - (A) The assault resulted from the operation of a motor vehicle; and
  - (B) The defendant was the driver of the motor vehicle and was driving while under the influence of intoxicants.
    - (3) As used in this section:
  - (a) "Flagger" has the meaning given that term in ORS 811.230.
    - (b) "Highway worker" has the meaning given that term in ORS 811.230.
- 10 (c) "Staff member" means:

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

11

12

13

14 15

16

17 18

19

20

- (A) A corrections officer as defined in ORS 181A.355, a youth correction officer, a youth correction facility staff member, a Department of Corrections or Oregon Youth Authority staff member or a person employed pursuant to a contract with the department or youth authority to work with, or in the vicinity of, adults in custody, youth or youth offenders; and
- (B) A volunteer authorized by the department, youth authority or other entity in charge of a corrections facility to work with, or in the vicinity of, adults in custody, youth or youth offenders.
- (d) "State park enforcement officer" means an employee of the State Parks and Recreation Department specifically designated by the State Parks and Recreation Director under ORS 390.050 to issue citations for park and recreation violations.
  - [(d)] (e) "Youth correction facility" has the meaning given that term in ORS 162.135.

21