

**Enrolled**  
**House Bill 2204**

Sponsored by Representative WILDE; Representatives BYNUM, DEXTER, HUDSON, PHAM, SOLLMAN (Presession filed.)

CHAPTER .....

AN ACT

Relating to public safety; and declaring an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** (1) The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission shall establish a program to award grants to public and private entities for restorative justice programs.

(2) The commission shall adopt rules to administer the grant program described in subsection (1) of this section. The rules must:

(a) Define restorative justice for the purpose of grant eligibility criteria.

(b) Specify the application process and eligibility criteria for the grant program, including a requirement that:

(A) Each applicant demonstrate in the application coordination with community-based organizations and the ability to work collaboratively with system partners, including local law enforcement entities, courts, district attorneys and defense attorneys.

(B) Each successful applicant demonstrate in the application how the applicant will center the experiences of those harmed, encourage those who have caused harm to take responsibility and repair the harm, and support persons who have been harmed, impacted community members and responsible parties in identifying solutions that promote healing, including promoting dialogue and mutual agreement.

(c) Include a methodology for reviewing and approving grant applications and distributing grant funds.

(3) The commission shall convene an advisory committee to evaluate and approve grant awards under this section.

**SECTION 2.** (1) No later than September 15, 2022, the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission shall report to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary, in the manner described in ORS 192.245, concerning the commission’s progress in adopting rules under section 1 (2) of this 2021 Act and convening an advisory committee under section 1 (3) of this 2021 Act, and any grants awarded to date.

(2) No later than September 15, 2023, the commission shall provide to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to the judiciary, in the manner described in ORS 192.245, an update to the information reported under subsection (1) of this section.

(3) When adopting rules described in section 1 (2)(a) of this 2021 Act defining restorative justice, the commission shall consult with the Racial Justice Council within the Office of the Governor and shall evaluate best practices.

**SECTION 3.** Section 2 of this 2021 Act is repealed on January 1, 2024.

**SECTION 4.** This 2021 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2021 Act takes effect on its passage.

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**Passed by House June 22, 2021**

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Timothy G. Sekerak, Chief Clerk of House

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Tina Kotek, Speaker of House

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Peter Courtney, President of Senate

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Kate Brown, Governor

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