Senate Bill 386

Sponsored by Senators DEMBROW, LIEBER (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Requires investigator, prior to interviewing child who witnessed or is victim of act under investigation, to notify child that child may request presence of parent or guardian during interview.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to interviews of child witnesses.

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

4 **<u>SECTION 1.</u>** (1) As used in this section:

5 (a) "Child" means an unmarried person who is under 18 years of age.

6 (b) "Investigator" means a law enforcement officer as defined in ORS 131.915 or the De-

7 partment of Human Services.

8 (2) In addition to any other procedure required by law, before interviewing a child who

9 witnessed or is the victim of an act under investigation, an investigator shall notify the child

10 that the child may request the presence of the child's parent or guardian during the inter-

11 **view.**

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