

# House Bill 2173

Sponsored by Representative HELFRICH (Presession filed.)

## 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**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: The Act creates a new crime when a person unlawfully uses drugs in an enclosed space. The Act takes effect on the 91st day after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 80.3).

Creates the crime of using a controlled substance in an enclosed place in a manner that endangers another person. Punishes by a maximum of 364 days' jail, \$6,250 fine, or both, or five years' imprisonment, \$125,000 fine, or both, for a second or subsequent conviction.

Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to controlled substance crimes; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 475.752 to**  
5 **475.980.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) It is unlawful for a person to knowingly or intentionally use a controlled**  
7 **substance in an enclosed space that is open to the public in a manner that endangers another**  
8 **person.**

9 **(2)(a) Violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor.**

10 **(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a) of this subsection, violation of this section is a Class**  
11 **C felony if the person has a prior conviction under this section at the time of the offense.**

12 **SECTION 3. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025**  
13 **regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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**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.