

House Bill 2623

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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 tells OPDC to do a study on public defense. (Flesch Readability Score: 87.9).
Directs the Oregon Public Defense Commission to study best practices to improve the provision of public defense services within this state, and provide the results of the study to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative Assembly no later than December 31, 2026.
Sunsets January 2, 2027.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to public defense.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) The Oregon Public Defense Commission shall study best practices to**
5 **improve the provision of public defense services within this state.**

6 **(2) The commission shall provide the results of the study, including any recommended**
7 **legislative changes, in a report to the appropriate interim committees of the Legislative As-**
8 **sembly in the manner provided under ORS 192.245 no later than December 31, 2026.**

9 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2027.**

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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.