

# Senate Bill 1008

Sponsored by Senator HAYDEN

## SUMMARY

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Digest: The Act changes laws related to sex offenders. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.2).

Requires that the sex offender risk assessment methodology take into consideration specified information.

Provides that a victim may request the reclassification of a sex offender into a risk level within three years of the initial classification, or within five years when certain circumstances exist.

Directs the Department of State Police to include on the department's sex offender website a full address for level three sex offenders and a photo, city and zip code for level one and level two sex offenders.

Appropriates moneys to the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision for conducting sex offender risk reassessments at a victim's request.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to sex offenders; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 163A.100, 163A.105, 163A.215 and 163A.220.

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

**SECTION 1.** ORS 163A.100 is amended to read:

163A.100. The State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision shall, in consultation with community corrections agencies, adopt by rule a sex offender risk assessment methodology for use in classifying sex offenders. **The risk assessment methodology must take into consideration all relevant information concerning the sex offender that is available or able to be obtained, including but not limited to any court documents, presentence reports, psychological evaluations, criminal conduct reported or admitted by the sex offender regardless of whether the conduct was criminally prosecuted, and any other information available from the office of the prosecuting attorney or previous court proceedings.** Application of the risk assessment methodology to a sex offender must result in placing the sex offender in one of the following levels:

(1) A level one sex offender who presents the lowest risk of reoffending and requires a limited range of notification.

(2) A level two sex offender who presents a moderate risk of reoffending and requires a moderate range of notification.

(3) A level three sex offender who presents the highest risk of reoffending and requires the widest range of notification.

**SECTION 2.** ORS 163A.105 is amended to read:

163A.105. (1) When a person convicted of a crime described in ORS 163.355 to 163.427 is sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a Department of Corrections institution for that crime, the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision shall assess the person utilizing the risk assessment methodology described in ORS 163A.100. The board shall apply the results of the assessment to place the person in one of the levels described in ORS 163A.100 before the person is released from

**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 custody.

2 (2) When a person convicted of a sex crime is sentenced to a term of incarceration in a jail, or  
3 is discharged, released or placed on probation by the court, the supervisory authority as defined in  
4 ORS 144.087 shall assess the person utilizing the risk assessment methodology described in ORS  
5 163A.100 and apply the results of the assessment to place the person in one of the levels described  
6 in ORS 163A.100 no later than 90 days after the person is released from jail or discharged, released  
7 or placed on probation by the court.

8 (3)(a) When a person is found guilty except for insanity of a sex crime, the Psychiatric Security  
9 Review Board shall assess the person utilizing the risk assessment methodology described in ORS  
10 163A.100 and apply the results of the assessment to place the person in one of the levels described  
11 in ORS 163A.100 no later than 90 days after the person is:

12 (A) Placed on conditional release by the Psychiatric Security Review Board;

13 (B) Discharged from the jurisdiction of the Psychiatric Security Review Board;

14 (C) Placed on conditional release by the court pursuant to ORS 161.327; or

15 (D) Discharged by the court pursuant to ORS 161.329.

16 (b) If the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision previously completed a risk as-  
17 sessment and assigned a classification level described in ORS 163A.100 for a person described in  
18 paragraph (a) of this subsection, the Psychiatric Security Review Board need not complete a reas-  
19 sessment for an initial classification.

20 (c) The court shall notify the Psychiatric Security Review Board when the court conditionally  
21 releases or discharges a person described in paragraph (a) of this subsection.

22 (d) The Psychiatric Security Review Board shall notify the State Board of Parole and Post-  
23 Prison Supervision no later than seven days after the Psychiatric Security Review Board condi-  
24 tionally releases or discharges a person who has a prior sex crime conviction that obligates the  
25 person to report as a sex offender, unless the person has also been found guilty except for insanity  
26 of a sex crime that obligates the person to report as a sex offender.

27 (4)(a) Within 90 days after receiving notice of a person's obligation to report in this state from  
28 the Department of State Police, the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision shall assess  
29 the person utilizing the risk assessment methodology described in ORS 163A.100 and apply the re-  
30 sults of the assessment to place the person in one of the levels described in ORS 163A.100 if the  
31 person has been convicted in another United States court of a crime:

32 (A) That would constitute a sex crime if committed in this state; or

33 (B) For which the person would have to register as a sex offender in that court's jurisdiction,  
34 or as required under federal law, regardless of whether the crime would constitute a sex crime in  
35 this state.

36 (b) If a person has been convicted of a sex crime and was sentenced to a term of imprisonment  
37 in a Department of Corrections institution for that sex crime, but was not subjected to a risk as-  
38 sessment utilizing the risk assessment methodology described in ORS 163A.100 before release under  
39 subsection (1) of this section, within 90 days after the person's release the State Board of Parole and  
40 Post-Prison Supervision shall assess the person utilizing the risk assessment methodology described  
41 in ORS 163A.100 and apply the results of the assessment to place the person in one of the levels  
42 described in ORS 163A.100.

43 (5) When the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, the Psychiatric Security Review  
44 Board or a supervisory authority applies the results of a risk assessment to place a person in one  
45 of the levels described in ORS 163A.100, the agency shall notify the Department of State Police of

1 the results of the risk assessment within three business days after the agency's classification. Upon  
 2 receipt, the Department of State Police shall enter the results of the risk assessment into the Law  
 3 Enforcement Data System.

4 (6) The State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, the Psychiatric Security Review  
 5 Board or a supervisory authority may reassess or reclassify a person placed in one of the levels  
 6 described in ORS 163A.100 under this section if the classifying board or authority determines that  
 7 a factual mistake caused an erroneous assessment or classification.

8 (7)(a) A person classified under this section as a level two or level three sex offender as de-  
 9 scribed in ORS 163A.100 may petition the classifying board or authority for review. Except for good  
 10 cause shown, the petition may be filed no later than 60 days after the notice of the classification is  
 11 provided to the person or, if the notice is mailed, no later than 60 days after the notice is sent.

12 (b) When good cause is shown, the time for filing a petition under this subsection may not be  
 13 extended more than 60 days beyond the date of the person's next annual report under ORS 163A.010,  
 14 163A.015 or 163A.020.

15 (c) Upon receipt of a petition described in this subsection, the classifying board or authority  
 16 shall afford the person an opportunity to be heard as to all factual questions related to the classi-  
 17 fication.

18 (d) After providing the person with notice and an opportunity to be heard in accordance with  
 19 this subsection, the board or authority shall classify the person in accordance with the classifica-  
 20 tions described in ORS 163A.100, based on all of the information available to the classifying board  
 21 or authority.

22 (e) As used in this subsection, "good cause" means that, due to a person's transience, lack of  
 23 housing, ongoing mental health concerns or other similar circumstances, a notice mailed to the  
 24 person under paragraph (a) of this subsection was not received by the person.

25 (8)(a) If the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, the Psychiatric Security Review  
 26 Board or a supervisory authority does not classify a person under ORS 163A.100 because the person  
 27 has failed or refused to participate in a sex offender risk assessment as directed by the board or  
 28 authority, the classifying board or authority shall classify the person as a level three sex offender  
 29 under ORS 163A.100 (3).

30 (b) If person classified as a level three sex offender under this subsection notifies the classifying  
 31 board or authority of the willingness to participate in a sex offender risk assessment, the classifying  
 32 board or authority shall perform the assessment and classify the person in one of the levels de-  
 33 scribed in ORS 163A.100.

34 **(9)(a) The State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, the Psychiatric Security**  
 35 **Review Board or a supervisory authority shall reassess and, as necessary, reclassify a person**  
 36 **placed in one of the levels described in ORS 163A.100 under this section if:**

37 **(A) Within three years of the initial classification, a victim requests the reassessment;**  
 38 **or**

39 **(B) Within five years of the initial classification, a victim requests the reassessment and**  
 40 **there are verifiable reports that the person is engaging in the harassment of or threatening**  
 41 **behavior toward any victim.**

42 **(b) A victim may request a reassessment under this subsection by submitting a written**  
 43 **request to the Department of State Police. Upon verifying that the request meets the cri-**  
 44 **teria described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the department shall provide the request**  
 45 **to the appropriate classifying board or agency. The classifying board or agency shall provide**

1 **the person with notice of the reassessment.**

2 **(c) As used in this subsection, “victim” means:**

3 **(A) A victim of any sex crime of which the person has been convicted; or**

4 **(B) Any person against whom the person has admitted to committing conduct constitut-**  
 5 **ing a sex crime, if the conduct was not the subject of a criminal prosecution due to the time**  
 6 **limitations described in ORS 131.125.**

7 **[(9)] (10) The State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, the Department of State**  
 8 **Police and the Psychiatric Security Review Board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of**  
 9 **this section.**

10 **SECTION 3. ORS 163A.215 is amended to read:**

11 163A.215. (1)(a) A notifying agency or a supervising agency shall release, upon request, any in-  
 12 formation that may be necessary to protect the public concerning sex offenders who reside in a  
 13 specific area or concerning a specific sex offender.

14 (b) A notifying agency or a supervising agency may release sex offender information to a law  
 15 enforcement agency if the notifying agency or supervising agency determines that the release of  
 16 information is in the public interest.

17 (c) In addition to the release of information described in this subsection and ORS 137.540,  
 18 144.260 and 441.373, a notifying agency or a supervising agency may release sex offender information  
 19 to the public in accordance with subsections (2) to (4) of this section.

20 (2) If the sex offender is classified as a level three sex offender under ORS 163A.100 (3):

21 (a) The Department of State Police shall release sex offender information, **which shall include**  
 22 **the sex offender’s full address**, on a website maintained by the department; and

23 (b) The supervising agency or a notifying agency may release sex offender information to:

24 (A) A person that resides with the sex offender;

25 (B) A person with whom the sex offender has a significant relationship;

26 (C) Residential neighbors and churches, community parks, schools and child care centers, con-  
 27 venience stores, businesses and other places that children or other potential victims may frequent;

28 (D) A long term care facility, as defined in ORS 442.015, or a residential care facility, as defined  
 29 in ORS 443.400, if the agency knows that the sex offender is seeking admission to the facility; and

30 (E) Local or regional media sources.

31 (3) Notwithstanding subsection (2)(a) of this section, the Department of State Police may not use  
 32 the Internet to make available to the public information concerning a sex offender classified as a  
 33 level three sex offender under ORS 163A.100 (3) while the person is under the supervision of the  
 34 Psychiatric Security Review Board, unless the department is authorized to do so by a request of the  
 35 supervising agency.

36 (4) If the sex offender is classified as a level two sex offender under ORS 163A.100 (2)[,]:

37 **(a) The department shall release the sex offender’s photograph and current city and zip**  
 38 **code on the website maintained by the department.**

39 **(b) The supervising agency or a notifying agency may release sex offender information to the**  
 40 **persons or entities described in subsection (2)(b)(A) to (D) of this section.**

41 (5) If the sex offender is classified as a level one sex offender under ORS 163A.100 (1)[,]:

42 **(a) The department shall release the sex offender’s photograph and current city and zip**  
 43 **code on the website maintained by the department.**

44 **(b) The supervising agency or a notifying agency may release sex offender information to a**  
 45 **person described in subsection (2)(b)(A) of this section.**

(6) As used in this section:

(a) “Notifying agency” means the Department of State Police, a city police department, a county sheriff’s office or a police department established by a university under ORS 352.121.

(b) “Sex offender information” means information that the Department of State Police determines by rule is appropriate for release to the public.

(c) “Supervising agency” means a governmental entity responsible for supervising a person required to report as a sex offender under ORS 163A.010 or 163A.015.

**SECTION 4.** ORS 163A.220 is amended to read:

163A.220. The Department of State Police shall consider:

(1) Contracting with a private vendor to build and maintain the website required by ORS 163A.215 [(2)(a)].

(2) Adding links on the website required by ORS 163A.215 [(2)(a)] that connect to other sex offender websites run by Oregon counties and by the federal government.

**SECTION 5. In addition to and not in lieu of any other appropriation, there is appropriated to the State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, out of the General Fund, the amount of \$6,000,000, for the purpose of conducting sex offender risk reassessments requested by victims pursuant to the amendments to ORS 163A.105 by section 2 of this 2025 Act.**