Senate Bill 993

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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 lets police agencies release booking photos to licensed PIs. The Act takes effect on the 91st day after sine die. (Flesch Readability Score: 72.6).

Authorizes law enforcement agencies to release booking photos to licensed private investigators. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to the release of booking photos; amending ORS 133.870; and prescribing an effective date.

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

- SECTION 1. ORS 133.870 is amended to read:
- 133.870. (1) Notwithstanding ORS 192.311 to 192.478, a law enforcement agency may not release a booking photo except as provided in subsection (2) of this section.
- (2) A law enforcement agency may release a booking photo described in subsection (1) of this section:
 - (a) To the person depicted in the booking photo;
- (b) To another law enforcement agency, or to a law enforcement officer employed by another law enforcement agency, for a law enforcement purpose;
- (c) To the public, if the law enforcement agency determines that there is a law enforcement purpose for the release, including but not limited to assistance with the apprehension of a fugitive or a suspect in a criminal investigation, or the identification of additional criminal activity;
- (d) To a state mental hospital upon the admission to the hospital of the person depicted in the booking photo;
- (e) To a party in a criminal proceeding resulting from the arrest during which the booking photo was obtained;
 - (f) To the victim of the offense for which the person depicted in the booking photo was arrested;
- (g) To the court, if the booking photo is part of a pretrial release report or is provided to the court as part of the pretrial release process for the purposes of confirming the identity of a defendant; [or]

(h) To an investigator licensed under ORS 703.430; or

- [(h)] (i) Upon the conviction of the person depicted in the booking photo, if the conviction results from the arrest during which the booking photo was obtained.
 - (3) As used in this section:
- (a) "Booking photo" means a photograph of a person taken by a law enforcement agency for identification purposes when the person is booked into custody.
 - (b) "Law enforcement agency" has the meaning given that term in ORS 131.915.
- (c) "Law enforcement officer" means an officer, deputy, member or employee of a law enforce-

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SECTION 2. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.