House Bill 3525

Sponsored by Representatives VEGA PEDERSON, GALLEGOS

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.

Provides that person who obstructs reporting of unlicensed immigration consultant commits crime of obstructing governmental or judicial administration.

Punishes by maximum of one year’s imprisonment, $6,250 fine, or both.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to obstructing governmental administration; amending ORS 162.235.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 162.235 is amended to read:

162.235. (1) A person commits the crime of obstructing governmental or judicial administration if the person:

(a) Intentionally obstructs, impairs or hinders the administration of law or other governmental or judicial function by means of intimidation, force, physical or economic interference or obstacle; or

(b) Intentionally acts to obstruct, impair or hinder another person from reporting an immigration consultant acting in violation of ORS 9.280 to a law enforcement agency or judge by instilling in the other person a fear that, if the other person reports a violation, the actor or a third person will:

(A) Unlawfully cause physical injury to some person;

(B) Unlawfully cause damage to property;

(C) Engage in other conduct constituting a crime;

(D) Falsely accuse some person of a crime or cause criminal charges to be instituted against the person;

(E) Expose a secret or publicize an assertion, whether true or false, in a manner that subjects some person to hatred, contempt or ridicule;

(F) Testify falsely, provide false information or withhold testimony or information, with respect to some person's legal claim or defense;

(G) Unlawfully use or abuse the person's position as a public servant by performing an act within or related to official duties, or by failing or refusing to perform an official duty, in a manner that affects some person adversely; or

(H) Inflict any other harm on the other person.

(2) This section shall not apply to the obstruction of unlawful governmental or judicial action or interference with the making of an arrest.

(3) Obstructing governmental or judicial administration is a Class A misdemeanor.

(4) As used in this section, “immigration consultant” has the meaning given that term in ORS 9.280.

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.

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