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House Bill 2625

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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.

Directs Department of State Police to study how to increase and improve criminal justice resources relating to missing and murdered Native American women in Oregon and report to appropriate committee or interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2020.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to missing Native American women; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. (1) The Department of State Police shall conduct a study to determine how to increase and improve state criminal justice protective, responsive and investigative resources and systems for reporting, identification, investigation and rapid response to future and past cases of missing and murdered Native American women in this state, including cases involving Indian country.

(2) In conducting the study, the department shall consult with:

(a) The Commission on Indian Services to convene meetings with tribal and local law enforcement partners, federally recognized tribes and urban Indian organizations to determine the scope of the problem, identify barriers and find ways to create partnerships to increase reporting, identification, investigation and rapid response to future and past cases of missing and murdered Native American women in this state; and

(b) The United States Department of Justice on ways to increase information sharing and coordination of resources to focus on reporting, identification, investigation and rapid response to future and past cases of missing and murdered Native American women in this state.

(3) The Department of State Police shall report on the results of the study to an appropriate committee or interim committee of the Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2020.

(4) As used in this section, “Native American women” includes Alaska Native women.

SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2019 Act is repealed on January 2, 2021.

SECTION 3. This 2019 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2019 Act takes effect
on its passage.