



NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

CHAPTER 291

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

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ARCHIVES DIVISION SECRETARY OF STATE

FILING CAPTION: Parole and Probation Officer Duties

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The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by a group with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Oregon Bulletin or 28 days from the date the Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the Oregon Bulletin at least 14 days before the hearing.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

OAR 291-065 specifies the duties of parole and probation officers of Department of Corrections, as required by ORS 137.630. The proposed changes remove the definition of an unused term; clarify that prioritization of duties and assignments may be determined by the local state director, in addition to the supervisor or their designee; and make other minor housekeeping fixes.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

None.

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE:

The Department of Corrections (DOC) anticipates that these proposed amendments to its administrative rules governing Parole and Probation Officer Duties (OAR 291-065) will have a neutral impact on racial equity in this state. The Division 065 rules outline the duties of Department of Corrections parole and probation officers, as required by ORS 137.630. The proposed amendments: (1) remove an unused definition; (2) update business practices by clarifying which

positions are authorized to prioritize and assign work; and (3) make clarifying and grammatical revisions. These proposed amendments are not substantive or will not affect individuals under supervision. For this reason, the department anticipates that the proposed changes will have a neutral impact on racial equity in this state.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

These changes make grammatical clarifications, definitional fixes and adds the local state director as authorized to prioritize and assign work.

DOC anticipates this rule change will have no fiscal impact the department, AICs, partners, and the general public.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

None.

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

Small businesses were not involved in the development of these rules as they will not be impacted by these rules.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

The department has determined that use of an advisory committee would have not provided any substantive assistance in drafting these rule revisions because the changes are minor and of a technical nature.

RULES PROPOSED:

291-065-0005, 291-065-0006, 291-065-0007

AMEND: 291-065-0005

RULE SUMMARY: Amends rule for minor grammatical clarification.

CHANGES TO RULE:

291-065-0005

Authority and Purpose ¶¶

(1) Authority: The authority for ~~this~~these ~~rules~~ is granted to the Director of the Department of Corrections in accordance with ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030 and 423.075.¶¶

(2) Purpose: The purpose of ~~this~~these ~~rules~~ is to specify the duties of Department of Corrections parole and probation officers ~~of Department of Corrections~~, as required by ORS 137.630.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075

AMEND: 291-065-0006

RULE SUMMARY: Amends rule to remove definition of word ("offender") that is not used within these rules.

CHANGES TO RULE:

291-065-0006

Definitions ¶

(1) Local State Director: A person within the Department of Corrections who reports to the Assistant Director of Community Corrections and has responsibility for managing a state community corrections office within a particular county.¶

~~(2) Offender: Any person under the supervision of the Department of Corrections or a local community corrections office who is on parole, probation or post-prison supervision status.¶~~

(3) Parole and Probation Officer: An employee of the Department of Corrections as defined in ORS 181A.355(13).

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075

AMEND: 291-065-0007

RULE SUMMARY: Amends rule to make minor clarifications or grammatical edits; and clarify that prioritization of duties and assignments may be determined by the local state director, in addition to the supervisor or their designee.

CHANGES TO RULE:

291-065-0007

Duties and Assignments ¶

(1) Among the duties of the Department of Corrections parole and probation officers articulated by statute are:¶

(a) To make investigations ~~in connection to~~with granting, revoking, or modifying parole, post-prison supervision, transitional leave, local control, probation, or conditional release as required by the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, courts, or Department of Corrections;¶

(b) To provide supervisory services and interventions to ~~persons~~people released on parole, post-prison supervision, transitional leave, local control, or probation who reside~~ing~~ in this state, with the goal of reducing the probability of continued criminal behavior;¶

(c) To keep informed concerning the conduct and conditions of ~~such persons~~people released on parole, post-prison supervision, transitional leave, local control, or probation who reside in this state, by visiting, requiring reports, and making collateral contacts;¶

(d) To make reports to the Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision, courts, or Department of Corrections as required;¶

(e) ~~Cause the~~To execution of any arrest warrant on a person who is under supervision on parole, post-prison supervision, transitional leave, local control, or probation status; and¶

(f) To perform ~~such any~~ additional duties as directed by the local state director or the Department of Corrections Assistant Director of Community Corrections ~~may direct~~.¶

(2) The priorityization of duties and assignments shall be determined by the parole and probation officer's ~~supervisor~~local state director, supervisor, or their designee.

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 137.610, 137.630, 179.040, 423.020, 423.030, 423.075