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RULES:
255-035-0006, 255-035-0021

AMEND: 255-035-0006

RULE TITLE: Exhibits

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RULE SUMMARY: Updating Exhibits A1, A2, C and D. This is being done to: bring the base ranges for these offenses in line with the statutory mandatory minimum sentences while still ensuring the Board was able to take into account criminal history; keep the number of changes necessary to achieve the goal above to as few as possible for simplicity; reduce/eliminate the need for sub-categories in Exhibit A-2.; and maintain the ability to sum/un-sum consecutive sentences under Oregon law.

The Advisory Commission on Prison Terms and Parole Standards (Advisory Commission) recommended amending these Exhibits as a result of changes to mandatory minimum sentences for certain offenses. Any amended exhibit will apply to individuals with a crime commit date that occurs on or after the date these rules are enacted.

Only amending Exhibits, not text of rule.

RULE TEXT:
Exhibits A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, C, D, E1, E2, E3, and F are essential components of the parole matrix guidelines and are hereby incorporated by reference.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 144.050, 144.120, 144.780, 144.783, 144.785, 144.787

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: 144.780, 144.783, 144.785, 144.787, OAR 255-035

NOTE: Attachments referenced are attached to this document. You may view the attachment 255-035-0006.pdf from the Attachments panel. Alternately, you may view the attachments at the following link: https://secure.sos.state.or.us/oard/viewAttachment.action?ruleVrsnRsn=339848

AMEND: 255-035-0021

RULE TITLE: Consecutive Sentences: Creating a Unified Matrix Range

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RULE SUMMARY: Updating OAR 255-035-0021(4) to include the crimes of Aggravated Murder under ORS 163.105, Murder in the First Degree under ORS 163.107, Murder in the Second Degree under ORS 163.115, and Murder of a Pregnant Victim under ORS 163.155. Each of these offenses are offenses the Board would be tasked with calculating a prison term for after determining the adult in custody is likely to be rehabilitated within a reasonable period of time at a Murder Review Hearing under OAR 255-032.

The Advisory Commission on Prison Terms and Parole Standards (Advisory Commission) recommended amending this rule as a result of changes to mandatory minimum sentences for these offenses

RULE TEXT:
(1) Notwithstanding section (4) of this rule, the Board shall establish the principal range for the most serious of the felonies committed during the time period under consideration. If two or more felonies are determined to be equally the most serious, the Board shall establish a principal range for only one of those felonies.
(2) The Board shall then establish a range for each of the remaining felonies committed during the same period using the appropriate base range for the crime pursuant to OAR 255-005-0005, Exhibit C.
(3) The unified range for crimes committed during the same period shall be determined by summing the range established under section (1) of this rule with the ranges established under section (2) of this rule.
(4) The method established by sections (1) to (3) of this rule for determining the unified range shall not apply if any of the crimes involved is:
(a) aggravated murder under ORS 163.105, murder in the first degree under ORS 163.107, murder in the second degree under ORS 163.115, murder of a pregnant victim under ORS 163.155, and any other murder;
(b) assault in the first degree, as defined in ORS 163.185;
(c) kidnapping in the first degree, as defined in ORS 163.235;
(d) rape in the first degree, as defined in ORS 163.375;
(e) sodomy in the first degree, as defined in ORS 163.405;
(f) sexual penetration with a foreign object, as defined in ORS 163.411;
(g) arson in the first degree, as defined in ORS 164.325; or
(h) treason, as defined in ORS 166.005.
(5) To determine the unified range for inmates with consecutive sentences which involve a crime listed in section (4) of this rule, the Board shall establish the matrix range for each crime by using the inmate's history/risk score pursuant to OAR 255-005-0005, Exhibit B and the applicable crime category rationale. The unified range shall be the sum of the ranges established under this section.
(6) The unified range may be subject to the variations established in accordance with OAR 255-035-0016 and 255-005-0005, Exhibit D.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 144.079, 144.120, 144.780-787

STATUTES/OTHER IMPLEMENTED: ORS 144.079, 144.120, 144.780-787

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