Oregon Interstate Compact State Council Meeting

**November 7th, 2024, 10:30-12:00pm**

**MEETING LOCATION:**

MS Team Video Conference

Attendees

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| Name | Title | Representing |
| Stromberg, Jeremiah | Chair | Commissioner |
| Patterson, Mark | Vice-Chair | DCA |
| \*Becker, Megan | Secretary | Support |
| Vacant |  | District Attorney |
| Judge Kelly Skye |  | Judicial |
| Townsend, Nicole |  | Governor’s Appointment |
| Chrisemer, Annette |  | Victim Representative |
| Senator Floyd Prozanski |  | Senate Appointment |
| Greer, Jake |  | OACCD, Lake Co Director |
| Severe, Constantin |  | Governor’s Appointment |
| Belli, Nina |  | Juvenile Compact Commissioner |
| Alder, Charles |  | OACCD, Multnomah Co |

\*Not Present

**Introductions/Oregon Interstate Compact Update**

Review Compact Structure:

Jeremiah- Commissioner- Appointed Interstate Compact Representative for Oregon

Mark Patterson-Deputy Compact Administrator

Ruby McClorey- Lead Interstate Compact Coordinator

Kristi Reames- Interstate Compact Coordinator (A-L Caseload). Recipient of the DOC Community Corrections Employee of the Year award (2024)

Khris Nunnery- Interstate Compact Coordinator (M-Z Caseload)

Oregon Compact Stats:

569 ICOTS Users

1304 Active Compact offenders supervised in Oregon from other states (1,265 last year)

1,237 Active Compact offenders supervised in other states from Oregon (1,322 last year)

Majority of incoming and outgoing cases are from ID, WA, and CA

Top 5 Offense Types: Dangerous Drugs, DUI, Assault, Burglary, and Amphetamine Possession

Cases by Gender: 85% Male, 15% Female

Top Reasons: Resident, Family Resident and Employment

Violation Stats: Top two reason: Abscond and Behavior

**Oregon Compact Compliance for 2024 YTD**

*Compliance Standards and Oregon’s Results 2024: (Expected compliance at 80% for each quarter)*

Case Closure: 92%

Violation Responses: 96%

Case Closure Replies: 95%

Requested Progress Reports: 96%

Transfer Reply: 97%

Reply for Reporting Instructions: 98%

Trending at or above the national average. Last four years compliance standards maintained at or above 90%.

**2024 Annual Business Meeting in Scottsdale, AZ**

***New Rule Amendment – Effective November 1, 2024:***

* Replace the term “offender” with “supervised individual”
* Amendment is strictly editorial adjustments, with no substantive changes made to the rules themselves. Amendments will be effective November 1, 2024

***ICAOS Annual Report:***

[Interactive Annual Report 2024 - Home page | ICAOS (interstatecompact.org)](https://interstatecompact.org/about/annual-reports/2024)

***Annual Due Increase:***

In FY2024, the Commission increased dues by a standard 5.25% for five years. In FY2029, the standard annual increase reduces to 3%.

***Road to Home Documentary:***

The documentary's goal is to show the personal experiences of individuals involved in the Interstate Compact, focusing on their journeys home after committing crimes or serving sentences in different states. The documentary has received significant recognition, placing second at a National Film Festival and garnering over 5,000 views, serving as an effective storytelling tool conveying the organization's message and story to a broader audience.

[The Road Home (2022) | Full Movie - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rOb8Lx3RUOo&feature=youtu.be)

**2025 Annual Business Meeting – Puerto Rico Sept 30th- Oct 1st, 2025**

This ABM is considered a rule-making year, with several rule proposals expected to be presented in the coming months. State Council meeting to be held to review these rule proposals and gauge the council's feedback.

Anticipation of a robust level of rule proposals to be brought forth to the council before the September 30th ABM.

**Questions/Discussion:**

A surprising statistic is that over 74% of individuals returned to their sending state for violations. Interstate Compact will be focusing on reducing the number of times individuals are returned to their home state for violations and will be presenting at the National Parole and Probation Association Conference to share strategies for addressing violations without unnecessary transfers.

***Discussion on Compact Fees and Extradition Funds:*** Conversation of increasing the compact fee or exploring other options that could address the shortfall. *(rule-writing amendments can be made without legislative action)*

*Current Compact Fee Practices and Comparisons:*

Oregon's compact fee is $50, but some western states charging $0 up to $300. Compact fees are separate from the extradition fund and was intended to be self-sufficient. Those in DOC custody are exempt, and some fee reductions are available. Oregon has been supplementing compact fund shortfalls with general fund money, with current monthly shortfalls at around five to 10k a month depending on number of extraditions. The compact fund has been in the negative for the last four years, currently holding only $4,000.

*Potential Solutions and Financial Impact:*

Should the $50 fee be kept regardless of custody status, adjusting the fee for indigent individuals, or setting a sliding scale could be considered. Should the base fee amount be adjusted/increased to cover the shortfall.

Consider requiring those releasing from DOC institutions to pay the fee, given the transitional savings they often have.

Suggestion of providing subsidies for those who cannot pay. Also utilizing waiver requests to have fees reduced by 50% for those eligible.

*Next Steps and Recommendation*s

Further analysis needed to estimate the financial impact of including individuals in custody in the fee structure.

Nicole Townsend agrees to conduct a search to determine the potential revenue from incarcerated individuals applying for compact.

Plan to present more detailed information to the council for further consideration.

***Membership and Representation in the Council:***

Discussed the need to re-evaluate council membership, particularly for positions like Defense Attorneys and representatives from the House.

Suggestion of contacting Sean McCray, the Executive Director of the Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers, for potential representation.

Highlighting the importance of including someone from the Sheriff's Association or Transport that handle day-to-day compact issues.