

REVENUE: No revenue impact
FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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| Action: | Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed |
| Vote: | 9 - 0 - 0 |
| Yeas: | Barker, Bonamici, Cameron, Flores, Komp, Krieger, Read, Whisnant, Macpherson |
| Nays: | 0 |
| Exc.: | 0 |
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| Meeting Dates: | 4/16, 4/26 |

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Changes the length of time that ignition interlock devices may be required.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Preventative nature of ignition interlock devices

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Clarifies length of time of continued suspension for persons who are required but fail to install devices.

BACKGROUND: Ignition interlock devices attach to a car's ignition system. When installed, the driver is required to blow into the device before starting the vehicle. If the device detects alcohol, the vehicle will not start. Ignition interlock devices have been used in several states since at least the 1990s.

ORS 813.602 requires ignition interlock devices for persons convicted of driving under the influence of intoxicants (DUII) in Oregon for the six-month period after the person's license is suspended. Violation of this condition is a Class A traffic violation. If a person fails to submit proof of the interlock installation, the person's license remains suspended until the state receives proof of the installation or until six months after the suspension (i.e., the person's license is suspended for the time period that the person should have been able to drive but only with the interlock device).

HB 2774 changes these rules. For a first DUII, the interlock installation is for one year after the ending date of the license suspension caused by the conviction. For a second or subsequent DUII, the interlock installation is for two years after the ending date of the license suspension caused by the conviction. Violation of these conditions remains a Class A traffic violation.

A person convicted of DUII who fails to submit proof of an ignition interlock installation continues to have his license suspended for one year (first conviction) or two years (second or subsequent convictions) if the person fails to submit proof of the installation.