

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass
Vote: 4 - 0 - 3
Yeas: Buckley, Read, Smith G., Beyer
Nays: 0
Exc.: Butler, Gilman, Tomei
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Meeting Dates: 4/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Permits volunteer appointed by law enforcement agency to issue citation to person who commits offense of use of invalid disabled person parking permit.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Disabled parking permit violation fine level
- Safety concerns for volunteers
- Other types of offenses that may be cited by volunteers

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Under ORS 811.627, use of an invalid disabled person parking permit is a Class A traffic violation carrying a minimum fine of \$450. Invalid use of a permit includes using a: 1) lost or stolen disabled permit, 2) altered permit, 3) permit of deceased person, 4) photocopied or replicated permit, 5) mutilated or illegible permit, or 6) permit not properly issued by the Department of Transportation. Currently, ORS 811.632 authorizes law enforcement agencies to appoint volunteers for enforcement of other disabled permit parking violations such as use of the space by a non-disabled person or blocking the space. HB 3157 allows law enforcement agencies to appoint volunteers to issue citations for invalid use of a disabled person parking permit.