

House Bill 2034

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SUMMARY

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Modifies provisions relating to residency for purposes of motor vehicle title and registration exemptions. Modifies provisions relating to residency for purposes of operating motor vehicle without Oregon driver license or permit.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to residency requirements for documents issued by Department of Transportation; amending
3 ORS 803.030, 803.305 and 807.020.

4 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 803.030 is amended to read:

6 803.030. This section establishes exemptions from the requirements under ORS 803.025 to obtain
7 title issued by this state. The exemptions are subject to ORS 803.040. The exemptions are in addition
8 to any exemptions under ORS 801.026. Vehicles exempted by this section from the requirements to
9 be titled by this state are not prohibited from being titled by this state if titling is permitted under
10 ORS 803.035. The exemptions are partial or complete as provided in the following:

11 (1) Title from this state is not required for a vehicle unless the vehicle is operated on a highway
12 in this state.

13 (2) Title from this state is not required unless a vehicle is operated under a registration number
14 of this state.

15 (3) Snowmobiles, Class I all-terrain vehicles and Class III all-terrain vehicles are not subject to
16 the requirements under ORS 803.025. The requirements and procedures for titling snowmobiles are
17 as provided under ORS 821.060 and 821.070.

18 (4) Road rollers, farm tractors and traction engines are exempt from the requirements for title.

19 (5) Trolleys are exempt from the requirements for title.

20 (6) Bicycles are exempt from the requirements for title.

21 (7) United States Government owned and operated motor vehicles and trailers are exempt from
22 the requirements for title.

23 (8) Implements of husbandry, well drilling machinery, emergency fire apparatus providing public
24 fire protection and invalid chairs are exempt from the requirements for title.

25 (9) Fixed load vehicles are exempt from the requirements for title while operated within the
26 immediate construction project, as described in the governmental agency contract, in the con-
27 struction or reconstruction of state or county roads, highways or city streets.

28 (10) Motor vehicles designed to operate at a loaded weight over 8,000 pounds, trailers and
29 equipment are exempt from requirements for title while:

30 (a) Owned, leased, contracted or requisitioned by the State Forester, State Board of Forestry,

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 their contractors under ORS chapter 477, or the federal government; and

2 (b) Being used for the purposes of forest protection and fire suppression under ORS chapter 477
 3 or a similar federal statute, including movement of the vehicles to and from the work area.

4 (11) Farm trailers are exempt from requirements for title when the operation or movement of
 5 the vehicle upon the highways is incidental to its use in an agricultural operation.

6 (12) Golf carts operated under an ordinance adopted under ORS 810.070 are exempt from re-
 7 quirements for title.

8 (13) Golf carts or similar vehicles are exempt from requirements for title when:

9 (a) They have not less than three wheels in contact with the ground;

10 (b) They have an unloaded weight of less than 1,300 pounds;

11 (c) They are designed to be and are operated at not more than 15 miles per hour; and

12 (d) They are operated by disabled persons.

13 (14) The nonresident owners of vehicles currently registered and titled in any other country,
 14 state or territory may operate such vehicles over the highways of this state without complying with
 15 the titling requirements under ORS 803.025. All of the following apply to this subsection:

16 (a) This subsection only provides an exemption so long as the owner satisfactorily shows that
 17 the owner is not a resident of this state [*as described under ORS 803.200.*] **or has been a resident**
 18 **of this state for less than 30 days. For the purpose of this paragraph, a person is a resident**
 19 **of this state if the person meets the residency requirements described in ORS 803.200.**

20 (b) The exemption under this subsection applies to vehicles granted exemptions under ORS
 21 802.500, 802.520 or 826.005, unless otherwise provided under paragraph (c) of this subsection.

22 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, a vehicle operated over the highways of this
 23 state for compensation or profit must comply with the titling requirements under ORS 803.025 in the
 24 same manner as required of nontitled vehicles. The following vehicles are not subject to this para-
 25 graph:

26 (A) Vehicles operated under reciprocal registration exemptions established under ORS 802.500
 27 or 826.005.

28 (B) Vehicles operated under an exemption established under ORS 802.520.

29 (C) Vehicles that are proportionally registered under an agreement established under ORS
 30 826.007, and according to the procedures established under ORS 826.009 or 826.011.

31 (D) Any vehicle if duly registered and titled under the laws of the state or country of which the
 32 owner is a bona fide resident to the extent that in the foreign country, state, territory or federal
 33 district where the owner resides like exemptions and privileges are granted vehicles duly registered
 34 and titled under the laws of this state and owned by residents of this state.

35 (d) If no exemptions from titling requirements are in effect under ORS 802.500, 802.520, 826.005
 36 or 826.007 with respect to another jurisdiction, any vehicle properly registered and titled in such
 37 other jurisdiction and for which evidence of compliance is supplied shall receive, when operated in
 38 this state, the same exemptions, benefits and privileges granted by such other jurisdictions to vehi-
 39 cles properly registered and titled in this state. Reciprocity extended under this paragraph shall
 40 apply to commercial vehicles only when engaged exclusively in interstate commerce.

41 (e) Any vehicle operated under dealer registration plates issued by another state, country,
 42 province, territory or the District of Columbia is subject to this subsection.

43 (15) Vehicle dealers issued certificates under ORS 822.020 may use and operate untitled vehicles
 44 as provided under ORS 822.040.

45 (16) Towing businesses issued certificates under ORS 822.205 may tow untitled vehicles as pro-

1 vided under ORS 822.210.

2 (17) Vehicle transporters issued certificates under ORS 822.310 may transport untitled vehicles
3 as provided in ORS 822.310.

4 (18) Untitled vehicles may be operated under trip permits described under ORS 803.600 or under
5 permits described under ORS 803.610 to 803.625.

6 (19) Vehicles that are registered by the United States Department of State and that are owned
7 or operated by foreign nationals with diplomatic immunity are exempt from the requirements for
8 title.

9 (20)(a) Vehicles that are registered under the proportional registration provisions of ORS chap-
10 ter 826 and are titled in a jurisdiction other than Oregon are exempt from the requirements for title.

11 (b) A trailer that is registered under the proportional registration provisions of ORS chapter 826
12 and titled in a jurisdiction other than Oregon shall remain exempt from the requirements for title
13 in Oregon if the trailer is registered when the other jurisdiction removes its exception to propor-
14 tional registration requirements for the trailer.

15 (21) Converter dollies and tow dollies are exempt from the requirements for title.

16 (22) Electric personal assistive mobility devices are exempt from the requirements for title.

17 **SECTION 2.** ORS 803.305 is amended to read:

18 803.305. This section establishes exemptions from the requirements under ORS 803.300. The ex-
19 emptions under this section are in addition to any exemptions under ORS 801.026. Vehicles exempted
20 by this section from the requirements to be registered by this state are not prohibited from being
21 registered by this state if registration is permitted under ORS 803.310. The following are exempt,
22 either partially or completely as described, from the registration requirements under ORS 803.300:

23 (1) Road rollers, farm tractors, trolleys and traction engines are exempt from registration.

24 (2) Bicycles are exempt from registration.

25 (3) A vehicle is exempt from registration if it has registration issued for the vehicle by the
26 Armed Forces of the United States where the registration is issued in a foreign country to a vehicle
27 owned by a member of the Armed Forces. The exemption granted by this subsection applies only for
28 a period of 45 days from the time the vehicle is returned to the United States.

29 (4) A vehicle is exempt from registration if it is not operated on the highways of this state.

30 (5) A trailer is exempt from registration if it is equipped with pneumatic tires made of elastic
31 material and is not operated in this state with a loaded weight of more than 1,800 pounds. A trailer
32 for hire, travel trailer or camper is not exempt by this subsection.

33 (6) Vehicles owned and operated by the United States Government are exempt from registration.

34 (7) Snowmobiles are subject to the requirements for registration provided under ORS 821.080 to
35 821.110.

36 (8) Implements of husbandry, well drilling machinery, emergency fire apparatus providing public
37 fire protection and invalid chairs are exempt from registration.

38 (9) Road graders, farm tractors and farm trailers on highways are exempt from registration when
39 the operation of the vehicle upon the highway is incidental to its use in an agricultural operation.

40 (10) Fixed load vehicles are exempt from registration while the vehicles are operated:

41 (a) In the construction or reconstruction of state or county roads, highways or city streets; and

42 (b) Within the immediate construction projects, as described in the governmental agency con-
43 tract under which the work is being performed.

44 (11) Motor vehicles designed to operate at a loaded weight over 8,000 pounds, trailers and
45 equipment are exempt from registration while being used for the purposes of forest protection and

1 fire suppression under ORS chapter 477 or a similar federal statute. The exemption under this sub-
 2 section applies to the vehicles or equipment described while being moved to or from the work area.
 3 The exemption under this subsection only applies to vehicles or equipment owned, leased, contracted
 4 for or requisitioned by the State Forester or State Board of Forestry, a contractor of the State
 5 Forester or State Board of Forestry under ORS chapter 477 or the United States Government.

6 (12) Vehicles being used for the purposes of forest protection and fire suppression are exempt
 7 if the vehicles are necessary in order to comply with ORS 477.615 or 477.650 or a similar federal
 8 statute. The exemption under this subsection also applies to the vehicles described being moved to
 9 or from the work area.

10 (13) Golf cart exemptions from registration are as provided in ORS 820.210.

11 (14) Vehicles currently registered and titled in any other country, state or territory are not re-
 12 quired to be registered by this state. All of the following apply to this subsection:

13 (a) This subsection only provides an exemption as long as the owner of the vehicle satisfactorily
 14 shows that the owner is not a resident of this state [*as described under ORS 803.200.*] **or has been**
 15 **a resident of this state for less than 30 days. For the purpose of this paragraph, a person is**
 16 **a resident of this state if the person meets the residency requirements described in ORS**
 17 **803.200.**

18 (b) The exemption under this subsection applies to vehicles granted exemptions under ORS
 19 802.500, 802.520 or 826.005 unless otherwise provided for under paragraph (c) of this subsection.

20 (c) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, a vehicle operated over the highways of this
 21 state for compensation or profit must comply with the registration requirements under ORS 803.300
 22 in the same manner as vehicles owned by persons in this state. The following vehicles are not sub-
 23 ject to this paragraph:

24 (A) Vehicles operated under reciprocal registration exemptions established under ORS 802.500
 25 or 826.005.

26 (B) Vehicles operated under an exemption established under ORS 802.520.

27 (C) Vehicles that are proportionally registered under an agreement established under ORS
 28 826.007 and according to the procedures established under ORS 826.009 and 826.011.

29 (D) Any vehicle if duly registered and titled under the laws of the state or country of which the
 30 owner is a bona fide resident to the extent that in the foreign country, state, territory or federal
 31 district where the owner resides like exemptions and privileges are granted vehicles duly registered
 32 and titled under the laws of this state and owned by residents of this state.

33 (d) If no exemption from registration requirements is in effect under ORS 802.500, 802.520,
 34 826.005 or 826.007 with respect to another jurisdiction, any vehicle properly registered and titled in
 35 such other jurisdiction and for which evidence of compliance is supplied shall receive, when oper-
 36 ated in this state, the same exemptions, benefits and privileges granted by such other jurisdictions
 37 to vehicles properly registered and titled in this state. Reciprocity extended under this paragraph
 38 shall apply to commercial vehicles only when engaged exclusively in interstate commerce.

39 (e) Any vehicle operated under dealer registration plates issued by another state, country,
 40 province, territory or the District of Columbia is subject to this subsection.

41 (15) Vehicles operated or used by vehicle dealers may be operated or used without registration
 42 as provided under ORS 822.040.

43 (16) Vehicles towed by towing businesses may be towed without registration as provided under
 44 ORS 822.210.

45 (17) Vehicles without registration may be transported by vehicle transporters as provided under

1 ORS 822.310.

2 (18) Vehicles that are not registered may be operated under trip permits described under ORS
3 803.600 or under permits described under ORS 803.610 to 803.625.

4 (19) If trailers that are part of a fleet of trailers for hire are properly registered in this state
5 under an agreement entered into pursuant to ORS 802.500, all trailers that are identified as being
6 a part of the same fleet and that are currently registered in any state, territory, province, country
7 or the District of Columbia shall be permitted to operate in this state in both interstate and intra-
8 state commerce without being registered by this state.

9 (20) Vehicles that are registered by the United States Department of State and that are owned
10 or operated by foreign nationals with diplomatic immunity are exempt from registration.

11 (21) Tow dollies and converter dollies are exempt from registration.

12 (22) Class I and Class III all-terrain vehicles are exempt from registration.

13 (23) Motor assisted scooters are exempt from registration.

14 (24) Electric personal assistive mobility devices are exempt from registration.

15 **SECTION 3.** ORS 807.020 is amended to read:

16 807.020. A person who is granted a driving privilege by this section may exercise the driving
17 privilege described without violation of the requirements under ORS 807.010. A grant of driving
18 privileges to operate a motor vehicle under this section is subject to suspension and revocation the
19 same as other driving privileges granted under the vehicle code. This section is in addition to any
20 exemptions from the vehicle code under ORS 801.026. The following persons are granted the de-
21 scribed driving privileges:

22 (1) A person who is not a resident of this state **or who has been a resident of this state for**
23 **less than 30 days** may operate a motor vehicle without an Oregon license or driver permit if the
24 person holds a current out-of-state license issued to the person [*by the person's home jurisdiction*].
25 **For the purpose of this subsection, a person is a resident of this state if the person meets**
26 **the residency requirements described in ORS 807.062.** To qualify under this subsection, the per-
27 son must have the out-of-state license or driver permit in the person's possession. A person is not
28 granted driving privileges under this subsection:

29 (a) If the person is under the minimum age required to be eligible for driving privileges under
30 ORS 807.060;

31 (b) During a period of suspension or revocation by this state or any other jurisdiction of driving
32 privileges or of the right to apply for a license or driver permit issued by this state or any other
33 jurisdiction; or

34 (c) That exceed the driving privileges granted to the person by the [*home jurisdiction of the*
35 *person*] **out-of-state license or driver permit.**

36 (2) A person in the Armed Forces of the United States may operate a motor vehicle without an
37 Oregon license or driver permit if the person:

38 (a) Has a current out-of-state license or driver permit issued by the Armed Forces; and

39 (b) Is operating an official motor vehicle in the course of the person's duties in the Armed
40 Forces.

41 (3) A person without a license or driver permit may operate a road roller or road machinery
42 that is not required to be registered under the laws of this state.

43 (4) A person without a license or driver permit may temporarily operate, draw, move or propel
44 a farm tractor or implement of husbandry.

45 (5) A person without a license or driver permit may operate a motor vehicle to demonstrate

1 driving ability during the course of an examination administered under ORS 807.070 for the purpose
 2 of qualifying for a license or driver permit. This subsection only applies when an authorized exam-
 3 iner is in a seat beside the driver of the motor vehicle.

4 (6) Driving privileges for snowmobiles are exclusively as provided in ORS 821.150.

5 (7) Driving privileges for Class I all-terrain vehicles are exclusively as provided in ORS 821.170.

6 (8) Driving privileges for Class III all-terrain vehicles are exclusively as provided in ORS
 7 821.172.

8 (9) A person without a license or driver permit may operate a golf cart in accordance with an
 9 ordinance adopted under ORS 810.070.

10 (10) The spouse of a member of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty who is
 11 accompanying the member on assignment in this state may operate a motor vehicle if the spouse
 12 has a current out-of-state license or driver permit issued to the spouse by another state in the
 13 spouse's possession.

14 (11) A person who is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty may
 15 operate a motor vehicle if the person has a current out-of-state license or driver permit in the per-
 16 son's possession that is issued to the person by the person's state of domicile or by the Armed
 17 Forces of the United States in a foreign country. Driving privileges described under this subsection
 18 that are granted by the Armed Forces apply only for a period of 45 days from the time the person
 19 returns to the United States.

20 (12) A person who does not hold a motorcycle endorsement may operate a motorcycle if the
 21 person is:

22 (a) Within an enclosed cab; or

23 (b) Operating a vehicle designed to travel with three wheels in contact with the ground at
 24 speeds of less than 15 miles per hour.

25 (13) A person may operate a bicycle that is not an electric assisted bicycle without any grant
 26 of driving privileges.

27 (14) A person may operate an electric assisted bicycle without a driver license or driver permit
 28 if the person is 16 years of age or older.

29 (15) A person may operate a motor assisted scooter without a driver license or driver permit if
 30 the person is 16 years of age or older.

31 (16) A person who is not a resident of this state **or who has been a resident of this state for**
 32 **less than 30 days** may operate a motor vehicle without an Oregon license or driver permit if the
 33 person is at least 15 years of age and has in the person's possession a current out-of-state equivalent
 34 of a Class C instruction driver permit issued to the person [*by the person's home jurisdiction*]. **For**
 35 **the purpose of this subsection, a person is a resident of this state if the person meets the**
 36 **residency requirements described in ORS 807.062.** A person operating a motor vehicle under au-
 37 thority of this subsection has the same privileges and is subject to the same restrictions as a person
 38 operating under the authority of a Class C instruction driver permit issued as provided in ORS
 39 807.280.

40 (17) A person may operate an electric personal assistive mobility device without any grant of
 41 driving privileges if the person is 16 years of age or older.

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