

# House Bill 3378

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

## SUMMARY

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Removes employer and coworker of person renting vehicle from definition of "authorized driver" for purposes of vehicle rental. Provides that person, other than renter, driving rented vehicle during emergency is authorized to do so only during medical emergency requiring care of physician.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to authorized drivers of rental vehicles; amending ORS 646.857.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 646.857 is amended to read:

5 646.857. As used in this section and ORS 646.859:

6 (1) "Authorized driver" means:

7 (a) The person renting the vehicle;

8 (b) The spouse of the person renting the vehicle, if the spouse is a licensed driver and meets  
9 any minimum age requirements contained in the rental agreement;

10 *[(c) The employer or coworker of the person renting the vehicle if the employer or coworker is en-*  
11 *gaged in a business activity with the person renting the vehicle and the employer or coworker meets*  
12 *any minimum age requirements contained in the rental agreement;]*

13 *[(d)]* (c) Any person driving the vehicle during *[an]* **a medical emergency requiring the care**  
14 **of a physician;** and

15 *[(e)]* (d) Any person expressly listed by the rental company on the rental agreement as an au-  
16 thORIZED driver.

17 (2) "Collision damage waiver" means an agreement between the renter and the rental company  
18 in which the company waives its right to impose a financial obligation on the renter or authorized  
19 driver if the vehicle is returned with physical damage.

20 (3) "Damage" means any damage or loss to the rented vehicle, including loss of use and any  
21 costs and expenses incident to the damage or loss.

22 (4) "Private passenger automobile" or "vehicle" means a motor vehicle designed primarily for  
23 transportation of persons.

24 (5) "Rental agreement" means any written agreement setting forth the terms and conditions  
25 governing the use of a private passenger automobile provided by a rental company.

26 (6) "Rental company" means any person engaged in the business of renting private passenger  
27 automobiles to the public.

28 (7) "Renter" means any person or organization obtaining the use of a private passenger auto-  
29 mobile from a rental company under the terms of a rental agreement.

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**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.