

House Bill 2567

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION (at the request of Oregon Vehicle Dealer Association)

SUMMARY

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Permits person to purchase single trip permit for certain vehicles.

Directs Department of Transportation to develop system for purchase of trip permits on Internet.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to trip permits; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 803.600.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 803.600 is amended to read:

5 803.600. A trip permit grants authority to temporarily operate a vehicle on the highways of this
6 state under circumstances where the operation would not otherwise be legal because the vehicle is
7 not registered by this state or because provisions relating to the vehicle's registration do not allow
8 the operation. The Department of Transportation shall provide for the issuance of trip permits in a
9 manner consistent with this section. All of the following apply to permits issued under this section:

10 (1) The department shall issue the following types of trip permits to authorize the described type
11 of operation and, except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, may not issue trip permits for
12 any other purpose:

13 (a) A heavy motor vehicle trip permit may be issued for a motor vehicle with a combined weight
14 or loaded weight of more than 8,000 pounds or that is a fixed load motor vehicle, and that is not
15 registered in this state. A permit described in this paragraph is valid for 10 consecutive days.

16 (b) A heavy trailer trip permit may be issued for a trailer that will be operated on the highways
17 at a loaded weight of more than 8,000 pounds or that is a fixed load vehicle, and that is not regis-
18 tered to allow operation of the vehicle in this state. A permit described in this paragraph is valid
19 for 10 consecutive days. This paragraph does not apply to travel trailers.

20 (c) A light vehicle trip permit may be issued for a vehicle with a combined weight or loaded
21 weight of less than 8,001 pounds that is not a fixed load vehicle and that is not registered to allow
22 operation of the vehicle in this state. Permits described in this paragraph may be issued for a period
23 of 21 consecutive days. The department may not issue more than two permits under this paragraph
24 in a 12-month period for any one vehicle unless all registered owners of the vehicle are replaced
25 by new owners. If there is a complete change in ownership of the vehicle, as shown by the regis-
26 tration records for the vehicle, a new owner may receive permits for the vehicle under this para-
27 graph as if no permits had been issued for the vehicle. This paragraph does not apply to campers,
28 travel trailers or motor homes, which are eligible for recreational vehicle trip permits under para-
29 graph (d) of this subsection.

30 (d) A recreational vehicle trip permit may be issued for a period of up to 10 consecutive days
31 for a camper, travel trailer or motor home that is not registered for operation in this state. A

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 person buying a recreational vehicle trip permit must show proof satisfactory to the Department of
2 Transportation that the person is the owner of the camper, travel trailer or motor home for which
3 the permit will be granted. A person may not receive recreational vehicle trip permits authorizing
4 more than 10 days of operation in any 12-month period. A person who applies for a recreational
5 vehicle trip permit must certify that the person has not been granted permits that together, and
6 including the permit applied for, exceed the maximum number of days of operation allowed by this
7 paragraph.

8 (e) A registration weight trip permit may be issued for a vehicle that is registered in this state,
9 to allow the vehicle to be operated with a greater combined weight or loaded weight than is per-
10 mitted by the registration weight established for the vehicle or at a greater combined weight or
11 loaded weight than is otherwise permitted under the registration for the vehicle if the vehicle is not
12 required to establish a registration weight. A permit issued under this paragraph does not authorize
13 movements or operations for which a variance permit is required under ORS 818.200. A permit is-
14 sued under this paragraph shall show the maximum registration weight allowed for operation under
15 the permit. A permit issued under this paragraph is valid for 10 consecutive days.

16 (f) A registered vehicle trip permit may be issued for a vehicle that is registered in this state
17 to allow the vehicle to operate under conditions or in ways not permitted by the terms of the vehicle
18 registration. The department shall determine by rule the kinds of operation for which permits may
19 be issued under this paragraph. A permit issued under this paragraph is valid for 10 consecutive
20 days.

21 (2) The department shall allow a person issued a vehicle dealer certificate under ORS 822.020
22 or a towing business certificate under ORS 822.205 to issue a 10-day trip permit to a person who
23 buys a motor vehicle from the person with the certificate if the registration stickers are removed
24 in accordance with ORS 803.565. The following apply to trip permits issued under this subsection:

25 (a) A permit issued under this subsection allows operation of the motor vehicle in this state for
26 the purpose of registering the vehicle.

27 (b) A permit issued under this subsection is valid for a period of 10 consecutive days.

28 (c) A person with a vehicle dealer certificate or a towing business certificate may not issue
29 more than two permits under this subsection for the same motor vehicle.

30 (3) The following requirements for records are established concerning permits issued under this
31 section:

32 (a) Any carrier regulated by the department shall maintain records of heavy motor vehicle and
33 heavy trailer trip permits and registration weight trip permits issued to the carrier as required by
34 the department by rule.

35 (b) Requirements for the department to maintain records concerning trip permits are established
36 under ORS 802.200.

37 (4) An owner or operator of a vehicle may obtain a trip permit. The fees for issuance of trip
38 permits are as provided under ORS 803.645.

39 (5) The department shall make the trip permits available to all field offices and agents main-
40 tained by the department and may make arrangements for the issuance of the permits by designated
41 individuals, firms or associations for the convenience of the motoring public. This subsection does
42 not require the department to make trip permits described in subsection (2) of this section available
43 to anyone other than persons with vehicle dealer certificates or towing business certificates.

44 (6) The department may also sell heavy motor vehicle, heavy trailer and registration weight trip
45 permits in advance of issuance to contractors, transportation companies and other users for issuance

1 to their own vehicles or vehicles under their control.

2 (7) The department shall adopt rules for the issuance, sale and control of trip permits.

3 **(8) The department may not require a person to purchase more than one trip permit is-**
4 **ssued under subsection (2) of this section, light vehicle trip permit or recreational vehicle trip**
5 **permit at a time.**

6 [(8)] (9) Trip permits are not required for the operation of unregistered vehicles where such
7 operation is permitted as follows:

8 (a) By vehicle dealers as permitted under ORS 822.040.

9 (b) By vehicle transporters as permitted under ORS 822.310.

10 (c) By towing businesses as permitted under ORS 822.210.

11 [(9)] (10) Trip permits are not required for the operation of unregistered vehicles where such
12 operation is permitted under ORS 803.305.

13 [(10)] (11) Unregistered vehicles that are operated without a trip permit are subject to the pro-
14 hibitions and penalties for operation of unregistered vehicles under ORS 803.300 or 803.315, as ap-
15 propriate.

16 [(11)] (12) A trip permit may be issued to a school vehicle registered under ORS 805.050 for use
17 of the vehicle for purposes not permitted under ORS 805.050.

18 **SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
19 **Code.**

20 **SECTION 3. The Department of Transportation shall develop a system for purchasing**
21 **trip permits issued under ORS 803.600 through the Internet.**

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