

# House Bill 2958

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## SUMMARY

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Requires Board of Radiologic Technology to offer limited permits to practice in certain categories of radiologic technology.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to radiologic technologists; amending ORS 688.515.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 688.515 is amended to read:

5 688.515. (1) The Board of Radiologic Technology shall issue a limited permit to an applicant to  
6 practice in a limited [*area*] **category** of radiologic technology if [*such*] **the** applicant meets the re-  
7 quirements for a limited permit as provided in this section. [*Such*] **A** limited permit [*shall*] **must**  
8 state the category or categories for which the applicant has demonstrated competence [*and shall*  
9 *be limited to one of the categories listed below or as established by the board by rule:*]. **The categories**  
10 **of limited permits offered by the board must include:**

- 11 (a) Upper extremities;  
12 (b) Pelvis or lower extremities, or both;  
13 (c) Chest and ribs;  
14 (d) Spine;  
15 (e) Head;  
16 (f) Abdomen; [*or*]  
17 (g) Foot and ankle for podiatric use[.]; **and**  
18 **(h) Hips.**

19 (2) Limited permits [*shall*] **may** not be issued for contrast studies or special head studies such  
20 as tomography.

21 (3) [*Each*] **An** applicant for a limited permit shall:

- 22 (a) Make an application in writing;  
23 (b) Pay an application fee in an amount set by the board;  
24 (c) Be at least 18 years of age;  
25 (d) Have successfully passed a board-approved course of instruction in radiation use and safety  
26 consisting of the number of hours of instruction required by the board by rule;  
27 (e) Have successfully completed a course of instruction approved by the board and taught by a  
28 board-approved, licensed, registered radiologic technologist in laboratory practice specific to each  
29 category for which the applicant seeks a limited permit, with the instructor's [*certifying to the*  
30 *board*] **certification** that the applicant has completed the course in those categories applied for;  
31 (f) Have successfully completed a practical experience program approved by the board, specific

**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 to each category for which the applicant seeks a limited permit. Such program shall include operation of an energized X-ray machine under the supervision of a registered radiologic technologist;

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3 (g) Have paid the examination fee set by board rule to reflect the actual cost of the examination;  
4 and

5 (h) Have successfully passed an oral or written examination, or both, conducted by or approved  
6 by the board in radiation use and safety and in those categories in which the applicant seeks a  
7 limited permit.

8 (4) *[Upon meeting]* **If an applicant meets** the requirements of this section, the board shall issue  
9 a limited permit to the applicant. A limited permit *[shall]* **must** be renewed every two years on the  
10 first day of the month of the anniversary date of the permittee's birthday subject to ORS 688.505  
11 and payment of a fee in an amount set by the board. *[Any]* **A** limited permit that is not renewed as  
12 provided in this subsection expires. The board may renew *[any]* **an** expired limited permit upon  
13 payment of a delinquent fee in an amount set by the board plus the biennial renewal fee.

14 (5) *[Every]* **A** person issued a limited permit shall notify the board in writing of the name of each  
15 licensed practitioner supervising **the** permittee's performance of diagnostic X-ray technology and  
16 shall only perform diagnostic X-ray technology while being supervised by a licensed practitioner. In  
17 the event **the** permittee subsequently is supervised by a licensed practitioner other than the person  
18 whose name was initially furnished to the board, **the permittee shall immediately notify** the board  
19 *[shall be immediately notified]* in writing.

20 (6) **The board may issue** a temporary license or limited permit *[may be issued by the board]*  
21 without examination to a graduate of or a student enrolled in an approved school of radiologic  
22 technology or limited permit course of instruction upon application and payment of a registration  
23 fee in an amount set by the board if the person practices as a diagnostic radiologic technologist or  
24 radiation therapist under the supervision of a licensed practitioner. A temporary license or limited  
25 permit is valid for *[a period of]* six months and may be renewed by the board for one six-month pe-  
26 riod only.

27 (7) *[At the discretion of the board]* **The board may issue** a temporary limited permit *[may be*  
28 *issued by the board]* without examination to a person upon application and payment of a registration  
29 fee in an amount set by the board if the person practices diagnostic radiologic technology under the  
30 supervision of a licensed practitioner and if the person is enrolled in an approved course of in-  
31 struction in radiation use and safety. *[Such]* A temporary limited permit *[shall be]* **is** valid for *[a*  
32 *period of]* three months and *[shall]* **may** not be renewed by the board except as provided under  
33 subsection (6) of this section.

34 (8) In addition to the temporary license or limited permit authorized by this section, the board  
35 may authorize a permit authorizing its holder to be an X-ray bone densitometry operator. The op-  
36 erator must meet standards of training established by the board by rule. The applicant shall pay a  
37 nonrefundable fee fixed by the board and the permit *[may be issued]* **is valid** for *[a period of]* two  
38 years and may be renewed upon payment of a fixed renewal fee.

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