Senate Bill 136

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SUMMARY

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Shortens term of service permits issued by Oregon Liquor Control Commission.

Shortens time within which licensee or service permit holder must requalify for license or permit. Makes retaking approved service course and examination mandatory to requalify for service permit.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to persons regulated by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 471.370 and 471.542.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 471.370 is amended to read:

471.370. Unless sooner suspended or revoked, a service permit [issued after November 1, 1981, shall expire on the anniversary date of the permittee's birthday five years after the date of issuance of the permit] expires three years after the most recent date on which the permittee completed an approved alcohol server education course and examination under ORS 471.542.

SECTION 2. ORS 471.542 is amended to read:

- 471.542. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the Oregon Liquor Control Commission shall require a person applying for issuance or renewal of a server permit or any license that authorizes the sale or service of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises to complete an approved alcohol server education course and examination as a condition of the issuance or renewal of the permit or license.
- (2) A person applying for issuance or renewal of a license that authorizes the sale or service of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises need not complete an approved alcohol server education course and examination as a condition of the issuance or renewal of the license if:
- (a) The license has been restricted by the commission to prohibit sale or service of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises; or
- (b) The person applying for issuance or renewal of the license submits a sworn statement to the commission stating that the person will not engage in sale or service of alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises, will not directly supervise or manage persons who sell or serve alcoholic beverages on the premises, and will not participate in establishing policies governing the sale or service of alcoholic beverages on the premises.
- (3) The commission by rule shall establish requirements that licensees and permittees must comply with as a condition of requalifying for a license or permit. The licensee or permittee must comply with those requirements once every [five] three years after completing the initial alcohol server education course and examination. The requirements established by the commission to re-

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qualify for a license may include retaking the alcohol server education course and examination. The requirements established by the commission to requalify for a service permit shall include retaking the alcohol server education course and examination.

- (4) The commission may extend the time periods established by this section upon a showing of hardship. The commission by rule may exempt a licensee from the requirements of this section if the licensee does not participate in the management of the business.
- (5) The standards and curriculum of alcohol server education courses shall include but not be limited to the following:
 - (a) Alcohol as a drug and its effects on the body and behavior, especially driving ability.
- (b) Effects of alcohol in combination with commonly used legal, prescription or nonprescription, drugs and illegal drugs.
 - (c) Recognizing the problem drinker and community treatment programs and agencies.
- (d) State alcohol beverage laws such as prohibition of sale to minors and sale to intoxicated persons, sale for on-premises or off-premises consumption, hours of operation and penalties for violation of the laws.
 - (e) Drunk driving laws and liquor liability statutes.

- (f) Intervention with the problem customer including ways to cut off service, ways to deal with the belligerent customer and alternative means of transportation to get the customer safely home.
- (g) Advertising and marketing for safe and responsible drinking patterns and standard operating procedures for dealing with customers.
- (6) The commission shall impose a fee not to exceed \$2.60 a year for each license subject to the alcohol server education requirement, and a fee not to exceed \$13 for each service permit application. These fees shall be used for administrative costs of the Alcohol Education Program established under ORS 471.541 and shall be in addition to any other license or permit fees required by law or rule.
- (7) The commission shall adopt rules to impose reasonable fees for administrative costs on alcohol server education course instructors and providers.
- (8) The commission shall provide alcohol server education courses and examinations through independent contractors, private persons or private or public schools certified by the commission. The commission shall adopt rules governing the manner in which alcohol server education courses and examinations are made available to persons required to take the course. In adopting rules under this subsection, the commission shall consider alternative means of providing courses, including but not limited to providing courses through audiotapes, videotapes, the Internet and other electronic media.
- <u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) The amendments to ORS 471.370 by section 1 of this 2009 Act apply to service permits issued on or after the effective date of this 2009 Act.
- (2) The amendments to ORS 471.542 by section 2 of this 2009 Act apply to license and service permit requalification periods that begin on or after the effective date of this 2009 Act.