

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action:	Do Pass
Vote:	8 - 0 - 2
Yeas:	Garrett, Olson, Schaufler, Tomei, Wand, Whisnant, Barker, Krieger
Nays:	0
Exc.:	Hicks, Nolan
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Meeting Dates:	3/21, 4/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Allows people whose driving privileges have been suspended to terminate that suspension by surrendering their driving privileges.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Circumstances where individuals might choose to submit their driver license voluntarily
- Mental incapacity among elderly drivers and the voluntary forfeiture of a license as a signal to law enforcement that a driver might be confused rather than choosing to engage in criminal activity
- Difference in penalties imposed on a suspended driver compared to an individual driving without a license
- Identification alternatives available for those who no longer possess a driver license

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: House Bill 3128 allows that people may end the suspension of their driving privileges by voluntarily surrendering their license. This would be applicable to individuals suspended for a failure to submit to an examination by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) under ORS 807.340, a person who has failed to receive medical clearance to drive after an ODOT request that they do so, or because of mental or physical impairment or incompetence. This option would not apply to the other provisions for suspension in this section, including suspension upon the notification by a hospital that a person should not drive or individuals found guilty except for insanity, or elsewhere within the vehicle, criminal or other applicable codes.