House Bill 2212

Sponsored by Representative KOMP (Presession filed.)

SUMMARY

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Restricts amount of consideration floral order facilitator can receive.

Requires floral order facilitators to pay delivery charges and other amounts to direct providers of floral or plant arrangements or related services within reasonable time.

Makes violation unlawful trade practice. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to floral order facilitators; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **<u>SECTION 1.</u>** (1) As used in this section:

5 (a) "Consideration" means compensation paid to a floral order facilitator, whether in the

6 form of a fee, charge, commission or other form of payment, or any combination thereof.

7 (b) "Delivery charge" means an amount paid by a purchasing floral consumer for delivery

8 of a floral or plant arrangement or related service to an ultimate floral consumer.

9 (c) "Floral order facilitator" means a person that, for consideration, transmits orders of 10 purchasing floral consumers to persons other than the floral order facilitator that are direct 11 providers of floral or plant arrangements or related services to ultimate floral consumers.

(d) "Handling fee" means an amount paid by a purchasing floral consumer to a person
 that is not a floral order facilitator as compensation for taking an order for a floral or plant
 arrangement or related service and transmitting the order to a floral order facilitator.

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(e) "Person" has the meaning given that term in ORS 646.605.

16 (f) "Purchasing floral consumer" means a person that purchases a floral or plant ar-17 rangement or related service, whether at retail or wholesale, whose order is transmitted to 18 a floral order facilitator.

(g) "Ultimate floral consumer" means a person that is the direct recipient of a floral or
 plant arrangement or related service purchased by a purchasing floral consumer.

(2) A floral order facilitator may not charge or receive consideration that exceeds five percent of the amount paid by a purchasing floral consumer for any single order of floral or plant arrangements or related services. For purposes of this subsection, the amount paid by the purchasing floral consumer is the cost of the floral or plant arrangements or related services plus any delivery charge, but does not include a handling fee.

(3) A floral order facilitator must pay to the person that is the direct provider of a floral
 or plant arrangement or related service to an ultimate floral consumer, within a reasonable
 time, the following:

29 (a) Any delivery charge paid by a purchasing floral consumer; and

30 (b) An amount equal to the amount paid by a purchasing floral consumer, less any de-

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1 livery charge, handling fee and any consideration received by the floral order facilitator un-

2 der subsection (2) of this section.

3 (4) A person that violates subsection (2) or (3) of this section commits an unlawful
4 practice under ORS 646.608. The requirements under subsections (2) and (3) of this section
5 are subject to enforcement and penalty as provided under ORS 646.605 to 646.652.

6 <u>SECTION 2.</u> Section 1 of this 2011 Act applies to purchases of floral or plant arrange-7 ments or related services made on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act.

8 <u>SECTION 3.</u> This 2011 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public 9 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2011 Act takes effect 10 on its passage.

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