

# Senate Bill 180

Sponsored by Senator KRUSE (Presession filed.)

## SUMMARY

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Prohibits Department of Transportation from administering examination for driver license in language other than English.

Prohibits person from using interpreter to take examination for driver licence. Provides exception for sign language interpreter for person with disability.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to examination for driver license.

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

4 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section:**

5 (a) **“Interpreter” means a person who translates conversations or other communications**  
6 **for a non-English-speaking person or translates the statements of a non-English-speaking**  
7 **person.**

8 (b) **“Non-English-speaking person” means a person who, by reason of place of birth or**  
9 **culture, speaks a language other than English and does not speak English with adequate**  
10 **ability to understand the examinations administered for a driver license or driver permit.**

11 (c) **“Person with a disability” means a person who cannot readily understand or com-**  
12 **municate the spoken English language, or cannot understand the examinations administered**  
13 **for a driver license or driver permit, because of deafness or because of a physical hearing**  
14 **impairment or communicate in the examinations because of a physical speaking impairment.**

15 (d) **“Sign language interpreter” means a person who translates conversations or other**  
16 **communications for a person with a disability or translates the statements of a person with**  
17 **a disability.**

18 (2) **The Department of Transportation may not administer an examination under ORS**  
19 **807.070 in a language other than English.**

20 (3) **Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, a person may not use an inter-**  
21 **preter to take an examination administered under ORS 807.070.**

22 (4) **A person with a disability may use a sign language interpreter to take an examination**  
23 **administered under ORS 807.070.**

24 **SECTION 2. Section 1 of this 2011 Act applies to examinations administered under ORS**  
25 **807.070 on or after the effective date of this 2011 Act.**

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