



Oregon

John A. Kitzhaber, M.D., Governor

Department of Transportation

Director's Office
355 Capitol St. NE
Salem, OR 97301

DATE: March 19, 2013

TO: Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

FROM: Amy Joyce, Legislative Liaison

SUBJECT: Senate Bill 612, with -2 amendments

INTRODUCTION

Senate Bill 612 expands the Oregon Department of Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division's (DMV) authority to provide expedited title and registration services. The -2 amendment limits this to vehicle dealers and establishes a \$100 fee for that service.

DISCUSSION

Current law allows DMV to expedite a title and registration process for the specific reason of odometer disclosure problems. In addition, DMV may expedite on a case-by-case basis. The bill would allow DMV to produce a vehicle title in an expedited time frame for any reason. The proposed amendment limits this new availability to vehicle dealers, and requires the department to adopt administrative rules to establish criteria and procedures for this expanded service. The bill also requires an increased fee (\$100) for the expedited service.

The expedited title transaction would need to be submitted to the DMV headquarters office, where all title processing occurs, to meet the currently projected five-day turn-around under this system. Expedited dealer transactions will move from submission at DMV field offices directly to headquarters. It is unknown how many vehicle dealers will take advantage of the new service.

SUMMARY

The bill authorizes the department to establish a new expedited title service for vehicle dealers, and to charge an increased fee for this service. It is unknown how many dealers will take advantage of the new service and the volume of transactions that would be removed from the standard run of titles and be put through the expedited process.