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## SUMMARY

Requires person employing, contracting with or leasing services of construction flagger to obtain construction flagging contractor license. Creates exceptions for certain other licensed contractors. Imposes insurance and bonding requirements for construction flagging contractors.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

2 Relating to construction flagging contractors.

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

4 <u>SECTION 1.</u> Section 2 of this 2015 Act is added to and made a part

5 of ORS chapter 701.

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6 **SECTION 2.** (1) As used in this section:

(a)(A) "Construction flagger" means an individual who, for compensation or with the expectation of compensation, directs or controls
the flow of motor vehicle traffic on a public roadway to prevent or
reduce conflict between the flow of traffic and construction activity
on or near the roadway.

(B) "Construction flagger" does not mean an individual performing
work for the federal government, a public body as defined in ORS
174.109 or a business regulated by the Public Utility Commission.

(b) "Construction flagging contractor" means a person who em ploys, contracts with or obtains through a worker leasing company,
 one or more individuals to act as construction flaggers.

(2) Except as provided in this section, a person may not undertake,
 offer to undertake or submit a bid to do work as a construction flag ging contractor unless the person holds a construction flagging con-

1 tractor license issued by the Construction Contractors Board.

2 (3) This section does not require a person to obtain a construction
3 flagging contractor license if the person holds a valid license and
4 endorsement as a:

5 (a) Residential general contractor;

6 (b) Commercial general contractor level 1;

7 (c) Commercial specialty contractor level 1;

8 (d) Commercial general contractor level 2; or

9 (e) Commercial specialty contractor level 2.

(4) An applicant for a construction flagging contractor license
 must:

12 (a) Submit an application in the manner described in ORS 701.046;

(b) Obtain a surety bond under ORS 701.068 in the amount of \$20,000;
 and

15 (c) Obtain general liability insurance under ORS 701.073 in an 16 amount of not less than \$500,000.

(5) A construction flagging contractor license authorizes a person
to act as a construction flagging contractor but does not authorize the
person to engage in any other activities that require a license issued
under this chapter.

(6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the board
 may not:

(a) Impose training or continuing education requirements for a
 construction flagging contractor or a responsible managing individual
 for the contractor.

(b) Require a construction flagging contractor or the responsible
 managing individual for the contractor to take a test measuring the
 knowledge of the contractor or responsible managing individual re garding business practices and laws affecting construction contractors.
 <u>SECTION 3.</u> (1) The Construction Contractors Board shall make
 construction flagging contractor licenses available for issuance under

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section 2 of this 2015 Act no later than 180 days after the effective date
 of this 2015 Act.

(2) Notwithstanding section 2 of this 2015 Act and ORS 701.992, the
board may not assess a civil penalty against a person for a failure to
comply with section 2 of this 2015 Act during the period ending 90 days
after the date that the board makes construction flagging contractor
licenses available for issuance.

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