

FISCAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Measure: HB 2730 A

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Measure Description:

This bill requires Oregon Department of Transportation to establish new registration plates programs.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT)

Summary of Expenditure Impact:

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
Other Funds	248,095	
Total Funds	\$248,095	\$0
Positions		
FTE		

Summary of Revenue Impact

	2015-17 Biennium	2017-19 Biennium
Other Funds	176,255	
Total Funds	\$176,255	\$0

Local Government Mandate:

This bill does not affect local governments' service levels or shared revenues sufficient to trigger Section 15, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

Analysis: This bill requires the Oregon Department of Transportation to establish two new registration plate programs: Portland Trailblazer plates and Breast Cancer Awareness plates. ODOT will charge an additional \$40 per plate payable when the plates are issued and upon each subsequent renewal. ODOT will not begin work on the new plates until the department receives an amount sufficient to cover all of the department's anticipated startup costs. In addition, the bill also requires ODOT to establish a new special registration plate program for nonprofit groups meeting the qualifications for tax exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, institutions of higher education and public bodies as defined in ORS 174.109. The bill repeals the limitation on the number of different special registration plate types that DMV may issue at one time. The bill eliminates the ability for new groups to apply for a group plate under the current group plate program in ORS 805.205. Any groups already established under this statute will continue to be governed by this statute. The bill also adds Wine Country registration plates, the new Portland Trail Blazer and Breast Cancer Awareness registration plates, group plates established under ORS 805.205, and Veteran's Recognition plates established under ORS 805.105 to the plates that may be transferred even if they are no longer currently issued.

ODOT estimates startup costs of \$248,095 OF consisting primarily of personal services associated with implementation of costs for the Trailblazer, Breast Cancer Awareness, and the New Special Plate Program. In addition, there will be expenses for legal review, manufacturing costs, and programming. This is not an allowable use for Highway Funds and ODOT would need to use Transportation Operating Funds for the startup costs. ODOT anticipates the Trailblazers and the Breast Cancer Awareness organization will pay the startup costs for their respective plates in 2015-17 and any additional revenue generated from these programs is unknown at this time.