Senate Bill 36

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Makes technical changes in Oregon tax statutes. Adjusts grammar and syntax. Repeals and deletes obsolete statutes and provisions. Conforms language and structure to existing statutes.

1 A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to the correction of erroneous material in Oregon tax law; amending ORS 308.146, 308.153, 308.166, 308A.362, 314.255, 314.752, 315.356, 316.147, 316.157, 316.158, 316.372, 318.031, 323.455, 465.015, 468.167, 468.170, 468.185 and 468.190 and section 12, chapter 855, Oregon Laws 2007, section 3, chapter 868, Oregon Laws 2007, and section 19, chapter 5, Oregon Laws 2013 (special session); and repealing ORS 308A.380, 314.705, 314.710, 315.304, 468.172, 468.173 and 468.183.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 308.146 is amended to read:

308.146. (1) The maximum assessed value of property [shall equal] equals 103 percent of the property's assessed value from the prior year or 100 percent of the property's maximum assessed value from the prior year, whichever is greater.

- (2) Except as provided in subsections (3) and (4) of this section, the assessed value of property to which this section applies [shall equal] equals the lesser of:
 - (a) The property's maximum assessed value; or
 - (b) The property's real market value.
- (3) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, the maximum assessed value and assessed value of property [shall] **must** be determined as provided in ORS 308.149 to 308.166 if:
 - (a) The property is new property or new improvements to property;
 - (b) The property is partitioned or subdivided;
 - (c) The property is rezoned and used consistently with the rezoning;
- (d) The property is first taken into account as omitted property;
- (e) The property becomes disqualified from exemption, partial exemption or special assessment; or
- (f) A lot line adjustment is made with respect to the property, except that the total assessed value of all property affected by a lot line adjustment [shall] **may** not exceed the total maximum assessed value of the affected property under subsection (1) of this section.
- (4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, if property is subject to partial exemption or special assessment, the property's maximum assessed value and assessed value [shall] **must** be determined as provided under the provisions of law governing the partial exemption or special assessment.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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- (5)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, when a portion of property is destroyed or damaged due to fire or act of God, for the year in which the destruction or damage is reflected by a reduction in real market value, the maximum assessed value of the property [shall] **must** be reduced to reflect the loss from fire or act of God.
 - (b) This subsection does not apply:

- (A) To any property that is assessed under ORS 308.505 to 308.665.
- (B) If the damaged or destroyed property is property that, when added to the assessment and tax roll, constituted minor construction for which no adjustment to maximum assessed value was made.
- 10 (c) As used in this subsection, "minor construction" has the meaning given that term in ORS 11 308.149.
 - (6)(a) If, during the period beginning on January 1 and ending on July 1 of an assessment year, any real or personal property is destroyed or damaged, the owner or purchaser under a recorded instrument of sale in the case of real property, or the person assessed, person in possession or owner in the case of personal property, may apply to the county assessor to have the real market and assessed value of the property determined as of July 1 of the current assessment year.
 - (b) The person described in paragraph (a) of this subsection [shall] **must** file an application for assessment under this section with the county assessor on or before the later of:
 - (A) August 1 of the current year; or
 - (B) The 60th day following the date on which the property was damaged or destroyed.
 - (c) If the conditions described in this subsection are applicable to the property, then notwithstanding ORS 308.210, the property [shall] **must** be assessed as of July 1, at 1:00 a.m. of the assessment year, in the manner otherwise provided by law.
 - (7)(a) Paragraph (b) of this subsection applies if:
 - (A) A conservation easement or highway scenic preservation easement is in effect on the assessment date;
 - (B) The tax year is the first tax year in which the conservation easement or highway scenic preservation easement is taken into account in determining the property's assessed value; and
 - (C) A report has been issued by the county assessor under ORS 271.729 within 12 months preceding or following the date the easement was recorded.
 - (b) The assessed value of the property [shall] **must** be as determined in the report issued under ORS 271.729, but may be further adjusted by changes in value as a result of any of the factors described in ORS 309.115 (2), to the extent adjustments do not cause the assessed value of the property to exceed the property's maximum assessed value.
 - (8)(a) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, when a building is demolished or removed from property, for the year in which the [demolishment] demolition or removal of the building is reflected by a reduction in real market value, the maximum assessed value of the property may be reduced to reflect the [demolishment] demolition or removal of the building.
 - (b) This subsection does not apply:
 - (A) To any property that is assessed under ORS 308.505 to 308.665.
 - (B) If the demolished or removed property is property that, when added to the assessment and tax roll, constituted minor construction for which no adjustment to maximum assessed value was made.
 - (c) To receive the reduction in maximum assessed value of the property under this subsection, the property owner must file an application with the county assessor after the [demolishment]

demolition or removal and on or before December 31 following the assessment date if the [demolishment] **demolition** or removal occurred:

- (A) Before the January 1 assessment date; or
- (B) During the period beginning January 1 and ending on the July 1 assessment date if the property owner has applied to have the real market and assessed value of the property determined under subsection (6) of this section.
 - (d) As used in this subsection:

- (A) "Minor construction" has the meaning given that term in ORS 308.149.
- (B) "Property owner" means an owner or purchaser under a recorded instrument of sale in the case of real property, or the person assessed, person in possession or owner in the case of personal property.
 - NOTE: Updates vocabulary and syntax throughout.
 - **SECTION 2.** ORS 308.153 is amended to read:
 - 308.153. (1) If new property is added to the assessment roll or improvements are made to property as of January 1 of the assessment year, the maximum assessed value of the property [shall be] is the sum of:
 - (a) The maximum assessed value determined under ORS 308.146; and
 - (b) The product of the value of the new property or new improvements determined under subsection (2)(a) of this section multiplied by the ratio, not greater than 1.00, of the average maximum assessed value over the average real market value for the assessment year.
 - (2)(a) The value of new property or new improvements [shall equal] equals the real market value of the new property or new improvements reduced (but not below zero) by the real market value of retirements from the property tax account.
 - (b) If the maximum assessed value of property is adjusted for fire or act of God or for [demolishment] demolition or removal of a building under ORS 308.146, the reduction in real market value due to fire or act of God or [demolishment] demolition or removal of the building may not be considered to be a retirement under this subsection.
 - (3) The property's assessed value for the year [shall equal] equals the lesser of:
 - (a) The property's maximum assessed value; or
 - (b) The property's real market value.
 - **NOTE:** Updates vocabulary and syntax throughout.
- **SECTION 3.** ORS 308.166 is amended to read:
 - 308.166. (1) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment under both ORS 308.153 and 308.156, the maximum assessed value [shall] **must** first be determined under ORS 308.153 and then further adjusted under ORS 308.156.
 - (2) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment under both ORS 308.153 and 308.159, the maximum assessed value [shall] **must** first be determined under ORS 308.153 and then further adjusted under ORS 308.159.
 - (3) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment under both ORS 308.156 and 308.159, the maximum assessed value [shall] **must** first be determined under ORS 308.156 and then further adjusted under ORS 308.159.
 - (4) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment under all of ORS 308.153, 308.156 and 308.159, the maximum assessed value [shall] **must** first be determined under subsection (1) of this section and then further adjusted under ORS 308.159.
 - (5) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment for fire or act of God,

- the maximum assessed value [shall] **must** first be determined under ORS 308.146 (5)(a) and then may be adjusted as provided in subsections (1) to (4) of this section.
- (6) If the maximum assessed value of property is subject to adjustment for [demolishment] demolition or removal of a building, the maximum assessed value [shall] must first be determined under ORS 308.146 (8)(a) and then may be adjusted as provided in subsections (1) to (4) of this section.
 - **NOTE:** Updates vocabulary and syntax throughout.
 - SECTION 4. ORS 308A.380 is repealed.
- **NOTE:** Repeals outdated statute.

- **SECTION 5.** ORS 308A.362 is amended to read:
- 308A.362. (1) As soon as possible, but not later than April 1 of the year following the year of receipt of the application, the State Department of Fish and Wildlife shall [immediately] notify the county assessor and the applicant of [its] the department's approval or disapproval of an application [which shall in no event be later than April 1 of the year following the year of receipt of the application]. Subject to subsection (2) of this section [and the mileage limitation of ORS 308A.380], an application not denied by April 1 [shall be] is deemed approved, and the land that is the subject of the application [shall be] is considered to be land that qualifies under ORS 308A.359.
- (2) An application for land described in ORS 308A.359 (2)(a)(B) [shall] may be approved only if the application is filed on or before five years after the date the land became land no longer outside adopted urban growth boundaries or planned or zoned as forest or agricultural land.
- (3) An application for land described in ORS 308A.360 (1) may be approved only if ordinances or resolutions authorizing the exemption have been adopted by the city and county in which the land is located and these ordinances or resolutions are in effect on the date of application.
- (4) The department may not approve more than 50 applications for land described in ORS 308A.360 (1) for any tax year. **The department shall hold** an application that is not approved because of the limitation imposed by this subsection [shall be held] for consideration for the next tax year.
- (5)(a) When the department approves land for designation as riparian under ORS 308A.359, it shall enter an order of approval and file a copy of the order with the county assessor within 10 days. Upon receipt of the order, the county assessor shall enter a notation on the assessment roll that the land described in the order is exempt from ad valorem taxation.
- (b) If the land is as described in ORS 308A.360 (1), the exemption [shall apply] applies only to the ad valorem property taxes of the city and county that have authorized the exemption.
- (6) On approval of an application filed under ORS 308A.356, for each year of designation the assessor shall indicate on the assessment and tax roll that the property is exempt from taxation as riparian land or, in the case of land described in ORS 308A.360 (1), partially exempt from taxation. The assessor shall also indicate on the tax roll that the land is subject to potential additional taxes as provided by ORS 308A.368, by adding the notation "designated riparian land (potential additax)."
- (7) Any owner whose application for designation has been denied may appeal to the department under the provisions of ORS chapter 183 governing contested cases.
- **NOTE:** Deletes reference to repealed statute in (1). See section 4 (repealing ORS 308A.380). Updates syntax.
 - **SECTION 6.** ORS 314.255 is amended to read:
- 314.255. (1) Upon receipt of notice of the revocation of a certification of a pollution control facility pursuant to ORS 468.185 (1), the Department of Revenue immediately shall collect any taxes

due by reason of such revocation, and shall have the benefit of all laws of this state pertaining to the collection of income and excise taxes. No assessment of such taxes shall be necessary and no statute of limitation shall preclude the collection of such taxes.

(2) No tax relief shall be allowed under ORS 307.405 [or 315.304] for any pollution control facility constructed or used by or for the benefit of any governmental or quasi-governmental body or public corporation or form thereof, except where such facilities are used for resource recovery.

NOTE: Deletes reference to repealed statute in (2). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).

SECTION 7. ORS 314.705 and 314.710 are repealed.

NOTE: Repeals outdated statutes related to former Multistate Tax Compact (repealed by section 4, chapter 407, Oregon Laws 2013).

SECTION 8. ORS 314.752 is amended to read:

- 314.752. (1) Except as provided in ORS 314.740 (5)(b), the tax credits allowed or allowable to a C corporation for purposes of ORS chapter 317 or 318 shall not be allowed to an S corporation. The business tax credits allowed or allowable for purposes of ORS chapter 316 shall be allowed or are allowable to the shareholders of the S corporation.
- (2) In determining the tax imposed under ORS chapter 316, as provided under ORS 314.734, on income of the shareholder of an S corporation, there shall be taken into account the shareholder's pro rata share of business tax credit (or item thereof) that would be allowed to the corporation (but for subsection (1) of this section) or recapture or recovery thereof. The credit (or item thereof), recapture or recovery shall be passed through to shareholders in pro rata shares as determined in the manner prescribed under section 1377(a) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (3) The character of any item included in a shareholder's pro rata share under subsection (2) of this section shall be determined as if such item were realized directly from the source from which realized by the corporation, or incurred in the same manner as incurred by the corporation.
- (4) If the shareholder is a nonresident and there is a requirement applicable for the business tax credit that in the case of a nonresident the credit be allowed in the proportion provided in ORS 316.117, then that provision shall apply to the nonresident shareholder.
- (5) As used in this section, "business tax credit" means a tax credit granted to personal income taxpayers to encourage certain investment, to create employment, economic opportunity or incentive or for charitable, educational, scientific, literary or public purposes that is listed under this subsection as a business tax credit or is designated as a business tax credit by law or by the Department of Revenue by rule and includes but is not limited to the following credits: ORS 285C.309 (tribal taxes on reservation enterprise zones and reservation partnership zones), ORS 315.104 (forestation and reforestation), ORS 315.138 (fish screening, by-pass devices, fishways), ORS 315.141 (biomass production for biofuel), ORS 315.156 (crop gleaning), ORS 315.164 and 315.169 (agriculture workforce housing), ORS 315.204 (dependent care assistance), ORS 315.208 (dependent care facilities), ORS 315.213 (contributions for child care), [ORS 315.304 (pollution control facility),] ORS 315.326 (renewable energy development contributions), ORS 315.331 (energy conservation projects), ORS 315.336 (transportation projects), ORS 315.341 (renewable energy resource equipment manufacturing facilities), ORS 315.533 (low income community jobs initiative) and ORS 317.115 (fueling stations necessary to operate an alternative fuel vehicle).

NOTE: Deletes reference to repealed statute in (5). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).

SECTION 9. Section 3, chapter 868, Oregon Laws 2007, as amended by section 45, chapter 913, Oregon Laws 2009, is amended to read:

- Sec. 3. ORS 315.262 [is repealed on] applies to tax years beginning before January [2] 1, 2016.
- **NOTE:** Conforms sunset of tax credit provision to standard legislative style.
- 3 SECTION 10. ORS 315.304 is repealed.
- **NOTE:** Repeals outdated statute.

- **SECTION 11.** ORS 315.356 is amended to read:
- 315.356. (1) If a taxpayer obtains a grant from the federal government in connection with a facility that has been certified by the Director of the State Department of Energy, the total cost of the facility shall be reduced on a dollar for dollar basis. Any income or excise tax credits that the taxpayer would be entitled to under ORS 285C.540 to 285C.559, 315.341, 315.354 and 469B.130 to 469B.169 after any reduction described in this subsection may not be reduced by the federal grant. A taxpayer applying for a federal grant shall notify the Department of Revenue by certified mail within 30 days after each application, and after the receipt of any grant.
- (2) A taxpayer, or an applicant who is otherwise eligible, is eligible to participate in both this tax credit program and low interest, government-sponsored loans.
- (3) A taxpayer who receives a tax credit or property tax relief on a pollution control facility or an alternative energy device under ORS 307.405[, 315.304] or 316.116 is not eligible for a tax credit on the same facility or device under ORS 285C.540 to 285C.559, 315.341, 315.354 and 469B.130 to 469B.169.
 - NOTE: Deletes reference to repealed statute in (3). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).
 - SECTION 12. Section 12, chapter 855, Oregon Laws 2007, is amended to read:
- **Sec. 12.** (1) A personal income or corporate income or excise taxpayer is allowed a credit against the taxes that are otherwise due under ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318 for the certified costs of a repower of a nonroad Oregon diesel engine or retrofit of an Oregon diesel engine that occurs after [the effective date of this 2007 Act] **September 27, 2007,** if:
- (a) The repower or retrofit has been identified as qualifying for the credit under rules adopted by the Environmental Quality Commission under [section 8 of this 2007 Act] **ORS 468A.799**;
 - (b) The engine will constitute an Oregon diesel engine; and
- (c) The taxpayer has obtained a tax credit cost certification from the Department of Environmental Quality under section 16, **chapter 855**, **Oregon Laws 2007**, [of this 2007 Act] for the cost of the repower or retrofit.
 - (2) The maximum amount of the tax credit allowed under this section is limited to:
 - (a) 25 percent of the certified cost of each qualifying repower; and
 - (b) 50 percent of the certified cost of each qualifying retrofit.
- (3) The amount of the tax credit allowed to the taxpayer under this section in any one tax year may not exceed the tax liability of the taxpayer for the tax year.
- (4) Any tax credit that is allowed under this section, but limited by subsection (3) of this section, and that is not used by the taxpayer in a particular tax year may be carried forward and offset against the taxpayer's tax liability as prescribed in subsection (3) of this section for the next succeeding tax year. Any credit remaining unused in the next succeeding tax year may be carried forward and offset against the taxpayer's tax liability as prescribed in subsection (3) of this section for the second succeeding tax year. Any credit remaining unused in the second succeeding tax year may be carried forward and offset against the taxpayer's tax liability as prescribed in subsection (3) of this section for the third succeeding tax year, but may not be carried forward for any tax year thereafter.
 - (5) The credit allowed under this section is not in lieu of any depreciation or amortization de-

duction for the engine to which the taxpayer otherwise may be entitled for purposes of ORS chapter 316, 317 or 318. The taxpayer's adjusted basis for determining gain or loss may not be decreased by any tax credits allowed under this section.

- (6)(a) The Department of Revenue may disallow the credit allowed under this section if the department finds that the credit was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation, or if the department learns that the engine that was the subject of the qualifying repower or retrofit was destroyed by arson committed by the taxpayer, or if the engine no longer meets the requirements for obtaining the tax credit.
- (b) If the tax credit is disallowed pursuant to this subsection, notwithstanding ORS 314.410 or other law, all prior tax relief provided to the taxpayer shall be forfeited, the department shall proceed to collect those taxes not paid by the taxpayer as a result of the prior granting of the credit and the taxpayer shall be denied any further credit provided under this section.
- (c) The department may perform activities necessary to ensure that recipients of the tax credit comply with applicable requirements.
- (7)(a) A nonresident individual shall be allowed the credit computed in the same manner and subject to the same limitations as the credit allowed a resident by this section. However, the credit shall be prorated using the proportion provided in ORS 316.117.
- (b) If a change in the taxable year of a taxpayer occurs as described in ORS 314.085, or if the Department of Revenue terminates the taxpayer's taxable year under ORS 314.440, the credit allowed by this section shall be prorated or computed in a manner consistent with ORS 314.085.
- (c) If a change in the status of a taxpayer from resident to nonresident or from nonresident to resident occurs, the credit allowed by this section shall be determined in a manner consistent with ORS 316.117.
- (8) The taxpayer shall claim the credit on a form prescribed by the Department of Revenue containing the information required by the Department of Revenue. The taxpayer shall maintain the tax credit cost certification issued by the Department of Environmental Quality under section 16, chapter 855, Oregon Laws 2007, [of this 2007 Act] in the records of the taxpayer for the length of time prescribed by the Department of Revenue and shall provide a copy of the cost certification to the Department of Revenue if requested.
- (9) [A taxpayer may not claim a credit under this section and ORS 315.304 with respect to the same diesel engine or group of diesel engines.] A taxpayer may claim a credit under this section and under ORS [469.185 to 469.225] 469B.130 to 469B.169 with respect to the same diesel engine or group of diesel engines if the taxpayer and diesel engines otherwise meet the requirements to be allowed a tax credit under ORS [469.185 to 469.225] 469B.130 to 469B.169.

NOTE: Deletes reference to repealed statute in (9). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).

SECTION 13. ORS 316.147 is amended to read:

- 316.147. As used in ORS 316.147 to 316.149, unless the context requires otherwise:
- (1) "Eligible taxpayer" includes any individual who must pay taxes otherwise imposed by this chapter and:
- (a) Who pays or incurs expenses for the care of a ["]qualified individual,["] as defined in subsection (2) of this section, through a payment method determined by rule of the Department of Revenue; and
- (b) Who has a ["]household income,["] as defined by ORS 310.630, for the taxable year, not to exceed the maximum amount of household income allowed in ORS 310.640 (1989 Edition) for a homeowner or renter refund.

- (2) "Qualified individual" includes an individual at least 60 years of age on the date that the expenses described in subsection (1)(a) of this section are paid or incurred by the eligible taxpayer:
- (a) Whose household income, as defined by ORS 310.630, does not exceed \$7,500 for the calendar year in which the taxable year of the taxpayer begins;
- (b) Who is eligible for authorized services as defined in ORS 410.410 under Oregon Project Independence;
 - (c) Who is certified by the Department of Human Services; and
- (d) Whose care or any portion thereof is not paid for under ORS chapter 414.
- **NOTE:** Conforms punctuation to legislative style in (1).
- **SECTION 14.** ORS 316.157 is amended to read:
- 316.157. (1) In the case of an eligible individual, there shall be allowed as a credit against the taxes otherwise due under this chapter for the taxable year an amount equal to the lesser of the tax liability of the taxpayer or nine percent of net pension income.
 - (2) For purposes of this section:

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- (a) "Eligible individual" means any individual who is receiving pension income and who has attained the following age before the close of the taxable year:
- (A) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1991, and before January 1, 1993, the individual must attain 58 years of age before the close of the taxable year.
- (B) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1993, and before January 1, 1995, the individual must attain 59 years of age before the close of the taxable year.
- (C) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1995, and before January 1, 1997, the individual must attain 60 years of age before the close of the taxable year.
- (D) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1997, and before January 1, 1999, the individual must attain 61 years of age before the close of the taxable year.
- (E) For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1999, the individual must attain 62 years of age before the close of the taxable year.
- (b) "Household income" has that meaning given in ORS 310.630 except that "household income" shall not include Social Security benefits received by the taxpayer or the spouse of the taxpayer.
 - (c) "Net pension income" means:
- (A) For eligible individuals filing a joint return, the lesser of the pension income of the eligible individuals received during the taxable year or the excess, if any, of \$15,000 over the sum of the following amounts:
- (i) Any Social Security benefits received by the eligible individual, or by the spouse of the individual, during the taxable year; and
 - (ii) The excess, if any, of household income over \$30,000.
- (B) For an eligible individual filing a return other than a joint return, the lesser of the pension income of the eligible individual received during the taxable year or the excess, if any, of \$7,500 over the sum of the following amounts:
 - (i) Any Social Security benefits received by the eligible individual during the taxable year; and
 - (ii) The excess, if any, of household income over \$15,000.
 - (d) "Pension income" means income included in Oregon taxable income from:
- 43 (A) Distributions from or pursuant to an employee pension benefit plan, as defined in section 44 3(2) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, which satisfies the requirements of 45 section 401 of the Internal Revenue Code;

- (B) Distributions from or pursuant to a public retirement system of this state or a political subdivision of this state, or a public retirement system created by an Act of this state or a political subdivision of this state, or the public retirement system of any other state or local government;
- (C) Distributions from or pursuant to a federal retirement system created by the federal government for any officer or employee of the United States, including any person retired from service in the United States Civil Service, the Armed Forces of the United States or any agency or subdivision thereof;
- (D) Distributions or withdrawals from or pursuant to an eligible deferred compensation plan which satisfies the requirements of section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code;
- (E) Distributions or withdrawals from or pursuant to an individual retirement account, annuity or trust or simplified employee pension which satisfies the requirements of section 408 of the Internal Revenue Code; and
- (F) Distributions or withdrawals from or pursuant to an employee annuity, including custodial accounts treated as annuities, subject to section 403 (a) or (b) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- (e) "Social Security benefits" means Social Security benefits, as defined in section 86 of the Internal Revenue Code (Title II Social Security or tier 1 railroad retirement benefits).
- (3) If a change in the taxable year of the eligible individual occurs as described in ORS 314.085, or if the Department of Revenue terminates the tax year of the eligible individual under ORS 314.440, the credit allowed by this section shall be prorated or computed in a manner consistent with ORS [316.085] 314.085.
- (4) If a change in the status of the eligible individual from resident to nonresident or from nonresident to resident occurs, the credit allowed by this section shall be determined in a manner consistent with subsection (1) of this section.

NOTE: Corrects typographical error in (3).

SECTION 15. ORS 316.158 is amended to read:

- 316.158. (1) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that no part of ORS 316.157 be the law if any part of ORS 316.157 is held to be invalid or unconstitutional. However, no amended return or payment of additional taxes shall be required for any year prior to the year in which any part of ORS 316.157 is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of last resort.
- (2) Except as provided in subsection (1) of this section, it is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that the provisions of **this section and** ORS 238.445, 310.635, 316.087, 316.157, [316.158,] 316.680 and 316.695 be severable as provided in ORS 174.040.

NOTE: Conforms internal reference to legislative style in (2).

SECTION 16. ORS 316.372 is amended to read:

316.372. (1) As used in this section, "parent" includes an individual who is entitled to the services of a minor by reason of having parental rights and duties with respect to the minor.

[(1)] (2) Except as provided in subsection [(2)] (3) of this section, a minor shall file a return and include [therein] on the return all items of the minor's income, including income attributable to personal services[, and such]. Income included on the minor's return shall not be included on the return of the parent. All expenditures by the parent or the minor attributable to [such] the minor's income are considered to have been paid or incurred by the minor. However, any tax assessed against the minor[, to the extent,] that is attributable to income from personal services[, if] and that is not paid by the minor[,] is for all purposes [shall be] considered [as having also been] to be properly assessed against the parent. [For the purposes of this section the term "parent" includes an individual who is entitled to the services of a minor by reason of having parental rights and duties in

respect of such minor.]

[(2)] (3) If a parent is eligible to elect and elects to include the interest and dividend income of a child on the parent's federal income tax return under section 1(g)(7)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code, the parent shall be considered to have elected to include the interest and dividend income of the child on the return filed by the parent for the same taxable period for purposes of this chapter. The child need not in such case file a return for purposes of this chapter for the taxable period to which the election applies.

NOTE: Conforms defined term to legislative style in (1); updates syntax and punctuation in (2). **SECTION 17.** ORS 318.031 is amended to read:

318.031. It being the intention of the Legislative Assembly that this chapter and ORS chapter 317 shall be administered as uniformly as possible (allowance being made for the difference in imposition of the taxes), ORS 305.140 and 305.150, ORS chapter 314 and the following sections are incorporated into and made a part of this chapter: ORS 285C.309, 315.104, 315.141, 315.156, 315.204, 315.208, 315.213, [315.304,] 315.326, 315.331, 315.336, 315.507 and 315.533 (all only to the extent applicable to a corporation) and ORS chapter 317.

NOTE: Deletes reference to repealed statute. See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).

SECTION 18. ORS 323.455, as amended by section 5, chapter 114, Oregon Laws 2014, is amended to read:

323.455. (1) All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS 323.030 (1) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. The department may pay expenses for administration and enforcement of ORS 323.005 to 323.482 out of moneys received from the tax imposed under ORS 323.030 (1). Amounts necessary to pay administrative and enforcement expenses are continuously appropriated to the department from the suspense account. After the payment of administrative and enforcement expenses and refunds, 89.65 percent shall be credited to the General Fund, 3.45 percent is appropriated to the cities of this state, 3.45 percent is appropriated to the counties of this state and 3.45 percent is continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of financing and improving transportation services for elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities as provided in ORS 391.800 to 391.830.

- (2) The moneys appropriated to cities and counties under subsection (1) of this section shall be paid on a monthly basis within 35 days after the end of the month for which a distribution is made. Each city shall receive such share of the money appropriated to all cities as its population, as determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the total population of the cities of the state, and each county shall receive such share of the money as its population, determined under ORS 190.510 to 190.590 last preceding such apportionment, bears to the total population of the state.
- (3) The moneys appropriated to the Department of Transportation under subsection (1) of this section shall be distributed and transferred to the Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established by ORS 391.800 at the same time as the cigarette tax moneys are distributed to cities and counties under this section.
- (4) Of the moneys credited to the General Fund under [subsections (1) and (5)(b)] subsection (1) of this section, 51.92 percent shall be dedicated to funding the maintenance and expansion of the number of persons eligible for the medical assistance program under ORS chapter 414, or to funding the maintenance of the benefits available under the program, or both, and 5.77 percent shall be credited to the Tobacco Use Reduction Account established under ORS 431.832.

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- (5) All moneys received by the Department of Revenue from the tax imposed by ORS 323.030 (4) shall be paid over to the State Treasurer to be held in a suspense account established under ORS 293.445. After the payment of refunds, the balance shall be credited [as follows:]
- [(a) 76.92 percent] to the Oregon Health Authority Fund established by ORS 413.101[, for the purpose of providing] and shall be used to provide the services described in ORS 430.630.
 - [(b) 23.08 percent to the General Fund.]

- NOTE: Properly sets forth transition from provisions of statute applicable until January 1, 2016, to provisions applicable thereafter.
 - **SECTION 19.** Section 19, chapter 5, Oregon Laws 2013 (special session), is amended to read:
- Sec. 19. (1) The amendments to ORS 323.030 and 323.455 by sections 14 and 17, chapter 5, Oregon Laws 2013 (special session), [of this 2013 special session Act] apply to distributions of cigarettes occurring on or after January 1, 2014, and before January 1, 2016.
 - (2) The amendments to ORS 323.030 by section 15, **chapter 5**, **Oregon Laws 2013** (special session), [of this 2013 special session Act] apply to distributions of cigarettes occurring on or after January 1, 2016, and before January 1, 2018.
 - (3) The amendments to ORS 323.030 by section 16, **chapter 5**, **Oregon Laws 2013** (special session), [of this 2013 special session Act] apply to distributions of cigarettes occurring on or after January 1, 2018.
 - (4) The amendments to ORS 323.455 by section 18 [of this 2013 special session Act], chapter 5, Oregon Laws 2013 (special session), and by section 18 of this 2015 Act apply to distributions of cigarettes occurring on or after January 1, 2016.
 - **NOTE:** Specifies applicable date for technical fix to ORS 323.455. See section 18 (amending ORS 323.455).

SECTION 20. ORS 465.015 is amended to read:

- 465.015. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, a person shall, within 120 days after notification in writing by the Department of Environmental Quality that the person meets the definition of a toxics user, complete a toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction plan. At a minimum, a plan shall include:
- (a) A written policy articulating organizational support for the toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction plan and a commitment by the organization to implement plan goals.
- (b) A description of its scope and objectives, including the evaluation of technologies, procedures and personnel training programs to ensure unnecessary toxic substances are not used and unnecessary waste is not generated.
- (c) Internal analysis and periodic assessment of individual processes for toxics use and hazardous waste generation.
- (d) Identification of opportunities to reduce or eliminate toxics use and hazardous waste generation.
- (e) Employee awareness and training programs that involve employees in toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction planning and implementation.
- (f) Institutionalization of the plan by incorporating the plan into management practices and procedures.
- (2)(a) A person is not required to complete a plan if the person has implemented an environmental management system[, as defined in ORS 468.172].
- (b) As used in this subsection, "environmental management system" means a continual cycle of planning, implementing, reviewing and improving the actions undertaken at the fa-

cility to meet environmental obligations and improve environmental performance that meet:

- (A) The standards established by the International Organization for Standardization under ISO 14001;
- (B) The standards established in the Green Permit program established under ORS 468.501 to 468.521; or
- (C) Other standards that meet criteria established by the Environmental Quality Commission by rule.
- (3) A toxics user shall incorporate into the plan and associated decision-making process, the costs of using toxic substances and generating hazardous waste. The costs may represent, among other things, the costs of management, liability insurance, regulatory compliance and oversight.
- (4) As part of each plan, a toxics user shall evaluate technically and economically practicable toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction opportunities for:
 - (a) Any toxic substance for which the toxics user reports as a large user; and
- (b) Any hazardous waste representing 10 percent or more by weight of the cumulative hazardous waste stream generated per year.
- (5) A toxics user shall explain the rationale for each toxics use reduction and waste reduction opportunity specified in the plan, including any impediments, such as technical or economic barriers, to toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction.
- (6) A toxics use reduction and hazardous waste reduction plan developed under this section or the documentation for an environmental management system shall be retained at the facility. To the extent that a plan or system may be considered a public record under ORS 192.410, the information contained in the plan or system is confidential and is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to ORS 192.502.
- (7) It is the policy of this state that plans developed under this section be kept current and that the plans reflect changes in toxics use over time. In furtherance of this policy, a toxics user may update its plan or modify its environmental management system to reflect any changes.
- **NOTE:** Deletes reference to repealed statute in (2). See section 23 (repealing ORS 468.172). Replaces reference with definition copied from repealed statute.

SECTION 21. ORS 468.167 is amended to read:

- 468.167. (1) Any person proposing to apply for certification for tax relief under ORS 468.155 to 468.190 may apply, before the completion of a pollution control facility, for precertification of the facility with the Environmental Quality Commission.
- (2)(a) The application shall be made in writing in a form prescribed by the Department of Environmental Quality. The application shall contain the following information:
- (A) A statement of the purpose of prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or recycling or appropriate disposal of used oil served or to be served by the facility.
- (B) A description of the materials for incorporation into the facility or incorporated into the facility, machinery and equipment to be made or made a part of the facility and the proposed or existing operational procedure of the facility.
- (C) Any further information the Director of the Department of Environmental Quality considers necessary before precertification is issued.
- (b) The application need not contain information on the actual cost of the facility or the portion of the actual cost properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil.

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- (c) The application shall be accompanied by a fee as provided under ORS 468.165 (5). The fee may be refunded if the application for preliminary certification is rejected.
- (3) If the commission determines that the person and the pollution control facility will be eligible for tax relief under ORS 307.405 [or 315.304] if the facility is erected, constructed, reconstructed, added to, installed, improved or used in accordance with the application for precertification, the commission shall precertify the facility by approving the application.
- (4) If the facility is erected, constructed, reconstructed, added to, installed, improved or used as proposed in the application for precertification, the commission's approval of the application shall be prima facie evidence that the facility is qualified for certification for tax relief under ORS 468.170. However, precertification shall not ensure that a facility erected, constructed, reconstructed, added to, installed, improved or used by the precertified person will receive certification under ORS 468.170 or tax relief under ORS 307.405 [or 315.304].
- (5) If the commission fails or refuses to precertify a person and facility, the person may appeal as provided in ORS 468.170 (3).

NOTE: Deletes references to repealed statute in (3) and (4). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).

SECTION 22. ORS 468.170 is amended to read:

- 468.170. (1) The Environmental Quality Commission shall act on an application for certification before the 120th day after the filing of the application under ORS 468.165. The action of the commission shall include certification of the actual cost of the facility and the portion of the actual cost properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil. The actual cost or portion of the actual cost certified may not exceed the taxpayer's own cash investment in the facility or portion of the facility. Each certificate shall bear a separate serial number for each such facility.
- (2) If the commission rejects an application for certification, or certifies a lesser actual cost of the facility or a lesser portion of the actual cost properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil than was claimed in the application for certification, the commission shall cause written notice of its action, and a concise statement of the findings and reasons therefor, to be sent by registered or certified mail to the applicant before the 120th day after the filing of the application.
- (3) If the application is rejected for any reason, including the information furnished by the applicant as to the cost of the facility, or if the applicant is dissatisfied with the certification of actual cost or portion of the actual cost properly allocable to prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil, the applicant may appeal from the rejection as provided in ORS 468.110. The rejection or the certification is final and conclusive on all parties unless the applicant takes an appeal therefrom as provided in ORS 468.110 before the 30th day after notice was mailed by the commission.
- (4)(a) The commission shall certify a pollution control, solid waste, hazardous waste or used oil facility or portion thereof, for which an application has been made under ORS 468.165, if the commission finds that the facility:
- (A) Was erected, constructed or installed in accordance with the requirements of ORS 468.165 (1);
- (B) Is designed for, and is being operated or will operate in accordance with the requirements of ORS 468.155; and

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- (C) Is necessary to satisfy the intents and purposes of ORS 454.010 to 454.040, 454.205 to 454.255, 454.505 to 454.535, 454.605 to 454.755, ORS chapters 459, 459A, 466 and 467 and ORS chapters 468, 468A and 468B and rules thereunder.
- (b) No determination of the proportion of the actual cost of the facility to be certified shall be made until receipt of the application.
- (c) If one or more facilities constitute an operational unit, the commission may certify such facilities under one certificate.
- (d) A certificate under this section is effective for purposes of tax relief in accordance with ORS 307.405 [and 315.304] if, on or before December 31, 2007, erection, construction or installation of the facility is completed, the facility is placed in service and the application for certification is filed with the commission under ORS 468.165.
- [(5) A person receiving a certificate under this section may take tax relief only under ORS 315.304, depending upon the tax status of the person's trade or business except that:]
- [(a) A corporation organized under ORS chapter 65 or any subsequent transferee of the corporation shall take tax relief only under ORS 307.405; and]
- [(b)(A) A corporation organized under ORS chapter 62 or any predecessor to ORS chapter 62 relating to the incorporation of cooperative associations or the subsequent transferee of the corporation may make an irrevocable election to take the tax relief under either ORS 315.304 or 307.405. The corporation shall make the election at the time of applying for the certificate, except that a corporation receiving a certificate prior to December 31, 1995, may make the election at any time on or before December 31, 1995. If a corporation elects on or before December 31, 1995, to take the tax relief under ORS 315.304, any income taxes, penalties or interest otherwise payable by the corporation for improperly taking the tax relief under ORS 315.304 in a taxable year prior to making the election shall be waived.]
- [(B) In the case of a corporation making the election under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph, the election applies to:]
- [(i) All existing or future facilities that are certified under this section, if the corporation claimed a credit under ORS 315.304 for a tax year beginning prior to December 31, 1995; or]
- [(ii) All future facilities that are certified under this section, if the corporation did not claim a credit under ORS 315.304 for a tax year beginning prior to December 31, 1995.]
- [(6) If the person receiving the certificate is a partnership, each partner shall be entitled to take tax credit relief as provided in ORS 315.304, based on that partner's pro rata share of the certified cost of the facility.]
- [(7)] (5) Certification under this section of a pollution control facility qualifying under ORS 468.165 (1) shall be granted for a period of 10 consecutive years which 10-year period shall begin with the tax year of the person in which the facility is certified under this section, except that if ad valorem tax relief is utilized by a corporation organized under ORS chapter 62 or 65 the facility shall be exempt from ad valorem taxation for a period of 20 consecutive years.
- [(8)] (6) Portions of a facility qualifying under ORS 468.165 (1)(c) may be certified separately under this section if ownership of the portions is in more than one person. Certification of such portions of a facility shall include certification of the actual cost of the portion of the facility to the person receiving the certification. The actual cost certified for all portions of a facility separately certified under this subsection may not exceed the total cost of the facility that would have been certified under one certificate. [The provisions of ORS 315.304 (8) apply to any sale, exchange or other disposition of a certified portion of a facility.]

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- [(9) A certificate issued under this section shall state the applicable percentage of the certified cost of the facility, as determined under ORS 468.173.]
- [(10) If the construction or installation of a facility is commenced after December 31, 2005, the facility may be certified only if the facility or applicant is described in ORS 468.173 (3). A facility described in ORS 468.173 (2) for which construction or installation is commenced after December 31, 2005, may not be certified under this section.]
- **NOTE:** Deletes references to repealed statutes in (4), (5), (6), (8), (9) and (10). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304) and section 23 (repealing ORS 468.173).
 - SECTION 23. ORS 468.172, 468.173 and 468.183 are repealed.
 - **NOTE:** Repeals outdated statutes.

- SECTION 24. ORS 468.185 is amended to read:
- 468.185. (1) Pursuant to the procedures for a contested case under ORS chapter 183, the Environmental Quality Commission may order the revocation of the certification issued under ORS 468.170 of any pollution control or solid waste, hazardous wastes or used oil facility, if it finds that:
 - (a) The certification was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation; or
- (b) The holder of the certificate has failed substantially to operate the facility for the purpose of, and to the extent necessary for, preventing, controlling or reducing air, water or noise pollution or solid waste, hazardous wastes or used oil as specified in such certificate.
- (2) As soon as the order of revocation under this section has become final, the commission shall notify the Department of Revenue and the county assessor of the county in which the facility is located of such order.
- (3) If the certification of a pollution control or solid waste, hazardous wastes or used oil facility is ordered revoked pursuant to subsection (1)(a) of this section, all prior tax relief provided to the holder of such certificate by virtue of such certificate shall be forfeited and the Department of Revenue or the proper county officers shall proceed to collect those taxes not paid by the certificate holder as a result of the tax relief provided to the holder under any provision of ORS 307.405 [and 315.304].
- (4) Except as provided in subsection (5) of this section, if the certification of a pollution control or solid waste, hazardous wastes or used oil facility is ordered revoked pursuant to subsection (1)(b) of this section, the certificate holder shall be denied any further relief provided under ORS 307.405 [or 315.304] in connection with such facility, as the case may be, from and after the date that the order of revocation becomes final.
- (5) The commission may reinstate a tax credit certification revoked under subsection (1)(b) of this section if the commission finds the facility has been brought into compliance. If the commission reinstates certification under this subsection, the commission shall notify the Department of Revenue or the county assessor of the county in which the facility is located that the tax credit certification is reinstated for the remaining period of the tax credit, less the period of revocation as determined by the commission.
- **NOTE:** Deletes references to repealed statute in (3) and (4). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).
 - **SECTION 25.** ORS 468.190 is amended to read:
- 468.190. (1) Subject to subsections (2)[, (3) and (4)] and (3) of this section, in establishing the portion of costs properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil for facilities qualifying for certification under ORS 468.170, the Environmental Quality Commission shall

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consider the following factors:

- (a) If applicable, the extent to which the facility is used to recover and convert waste products into a salable or usable commodity.
 - (b) The estimated annual percent return on the investment in the facility.
- (c) If applicable, the alternative methods, equipment and costs for achieving the same pollution control objective.
- (d) Any related savings or increase in costs which occur or may occur as a result of the installation of the facility.
- (e) Any other factors which are relevant in establishing the portion of the actual cost of the facility properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil.
- (2) The portion of actual costs properly allocable shall be from zero to 100 percent in increments of one percent. If zero percent, the commission shall issue an order denying certification.
- (3) If the cost of the facility (or facilities certified under one certificate) does not exceed \$50,000, the portion of the actual costs properly allocable shall be in the proportion that the ratio of the time the facility is used for prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil bears to the entire time the facility is used for any purpose.
- [(4) In the case of a business described in ORS 315.304 (4)(a)(C)(i), the Environmental Quality Commission shall consider the factors listed in subsection (1) of this section as if the person operating the facility or conducting the trade or business that utilizes property requiring such a facility were the applicant for the credit, regardless of whether the person is the lessee or lessor of the facility.]
- [(5)] (4) The commission may adopt rules establishing methods to be used to determine the portion of costs properly allocable to the prevention, control or reduction of air, water or noise pollution or solid or hazardous waste or to recycling or appropriately disposing of used oil.
- **NOTE:** Updates internal reference in (1). Deletes reference to repealed statute in (4). See section 10 (repealing ORS 315.304).