

# Senate Bill 1543

Sponsored by Senator WINTERS (Pre-session filed.)

## 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**.

Directs Oregon Wine Board to distribute moneys from sale of wine country registration plates as matching grants for tourism promotion.

Permits Department of Transportation to issue wine country registration plate to vehicle operated by board.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to wine country registration plates; creating new provisions; amending ORS 805.045, 805.272  
3 and 805.274; and declaring an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** ORS 805.272 is amended to read:

6 805.272. (1) After the deduction of the cost of administration of the wine country registration  
7 plate program, the Department of Transportation shall deposit the net proceeds of the surcharge  
8 collected by the department under ORS 805.266 into the account of the [*Oregon Tourism*  
9 *Commission*] **Oregon Wine Board** established under ORS [284.131] **182.470**. The department shall  
10 make deposits under this subsection at least quarterly.

11 (2) Moneys deposited under subsection (1) of this section are continuously appropriated to the  
12 [*Oregon Tourism Commission*] **Oregon Wine Board** for the purposes set forth in ORS [284.131]  
13 **805.274**.

14 (3) As used in this section, "the cost of administration of the wine country registration plate  
15 program" means the sum of all department expenses for the issuance or transfer of wine country  
16 registration plates under ORS 805.266 that are above the normal costs of issuing, renewing and  
17 transferring registration plates in the normal course of the business of the department. These ex-  
18 penses include, but are not limited to, the costs of collecting the wine country registration plate  
19 surcharge and transferring wine country registration plates.

20 **SECTION 2.** ORS 805.274 is amended to read:

21 805.274. (1) After payment of the cost of production of the wine country registration plates in-  
22 cluding administrative expenses relating to marketing the wine country registration plates issued  
23 under ORS 805.266, the [*Oregon Tourism Commission*] **Oregon Wine Board** shall distribute the  
24 moneys received from the Department of Transportation [*pursuant to ORS 805.272 as follows*]:

25 [*(a) One half of the moneys shall be distributed*] as matching grants. The [*commission*] **board** shall  
26 develop a matching grant program and shall award grants to tourism promotion agencies for tourism  
27 promotion of wine and culinary tourism. The [*commission*] **board** shall establish the maximum grant  
28 amount in the applicant guidelines prepared for the matching grant program in each biennium. [*No*  
29 *more than 50 percent of the total cost of a project may be paid for with moneys from the program. An*  
30 *applicant must show a minimum one-to-one match from private or public sources other than Oregon*

**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.

1 *Business Development Department or commission programs. The applicant must also show a cash*  
 2 *match of at least 50 percent of the amount requested under the matching grant program.]*

3 *[(b) One half of the moneys shall be distributed to tourism promotion agencies for the purpose of*  
 4 *tourism promotion. The commission shall distribute the moneys in proportion to the amount of acreage*  
 5 *in each region used for wine grape production. The commission shall designate a tourism promotion*  
 6 *agency for each region. The regions shall include the mid-Willamette Valley region and each other*  
 7 *major wine producing region of the state as determined by the commission.]*

8 (2) The [commission] **board** annually shall submit a report to the Legislative Assembly in the  
 9 manner provided in ORS 192.245 on or before October 1.

10 (3) The [commission] **board** shall adopt rules to carry out this section.

11 (4) As used in this section:

12 [(a) “Mid-Willamette Valley region” means Marion, Polk and Yamhill Counties.]

13 [(b)] (a) “Tourism promotion” has the meaning given that term in ORS 320.300.

14 [(c)] (b) “Tourism promotion agency” has the meaning given that term in ORS 320.300.

15 **SECTION 3.** ORS 805.045 is amended to read:

16 805.045. (1) **If approval is granted under ORS 283.390**, the Department of Transportation may  
 17 issue:

18 (a) Registration plates or other evidence of registration from any regular series rather than  
 19 from any specially designed government series for a vehicle owned or operated by any state de-  
 20 partment or institution [*if approval is granted under ORS 283.390.*]; **or**

21 (b) **Wine country registration plates for a vehicle operated by a member of the Oregon**  
 22 **Wine Board in discharging the board’s duties if requested to do so by the board.**

23 (2) The registration period for a vehicle described under this section shall be the same as the  
 24 regular registration period for the type of vehicle registered.

25 (3)(a) The fee for registration or renewal of a **regular series** registration [*of*] **plate for** a ve-  
 26 hicle under **subsection (1)(a) of this section** [*shall be*] **is** the fee established under ORS 803.420 for  
 27 registration or renewal of a state-owned vehicle registered under ORS 805.040.

28 (b) **The fee for registration or renewal of a wine country registration plate for a vehicle**  
 29 **under subsection (1)(b) of this section is the fee established under ORS 803.420 for that type**  
 30 **of vehicle, and not for renewal of a state-owned vehicle registered under ORS 805.040. Addi-**  
 31 **tionally, the applicant shall pay the surcharge described under ORS 805.266.**

32 [(2)] (4) Any vehicle registered under this section and not exempted under ORS 815.300 must  
 33 meet the requirements for certification of compliance with pollution control under ORS 815.310.

34 **SECTION 4. The amendments to ORS 805.272 and 805.274 by sections 1 and 2 of this 2016**  
 35 **Act apply to wine country registration plates issued on or after the effective date of this 2016**  
 36 **Act.**

37 **SECTION 5. This 2016 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**  
 38 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2016 Act takes effect**  
 39 **on its passage.**