HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 2795

By JOINT COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

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On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, line 2, after "18.999," insert "20.190,". 1 In line 3, after "21.235," insert "24.135,". On page 3, line 6, delete "\$265" and insert "\$267". In line 8, delete "\$558" and insert "\$560". In line 10, delete "\$832" and insert "\$834". In line 12, delete "\$1,109" and insert "\$1,111". On page 4, after line 20, insert: "SECTION 7a. ORS 24.135 is amended to read: 9 "24.135. (1) If the judgment debtor shows the court of any county that an appeal from the foreign 10 judgment is pending or will be taken, or that a stay of execution has been granted, the court shall 11 stay enforcement of the foreign judgment until the appeal is concluded, the time for appeal expires, 12 or the stay of execution expires or is vacated, upon proof that the judgment debtor has furnished 13 the security for the satisfaction of the judgment required by the state in which it was rendered. 14 "(2) If the judgment debtor shows the court of any county any ground upon which enforcement 15 of a judgment of any court of any county of this state would be stayed, the court shall stay 16 enforcement of the foreign judgment for an appropriate period, upon requiring the same security for 17 satisfaction of the judgment which is required in this state. 18 "(3) Any person making an appearance in proceedings related to foreign judgments filed under 19 ORS 24.115, including a judgment debtor filing a proceeding seeking a stay of judgment under this 20 section or otherwise seeking relief from enforcement of the judgment, must pay the filing fee estab-21 lished under ORS [21.135] **21.160** (1)(a).". On page 5, line 12, after "21.180," insert "24.135,". 22 On page 8, line 42, delete "\$39" and insert "\$45". 23 24 On page 9, line 26, delete "\$39" and insert "\$45". 25 On page 12, after line 10, insert: 26 27 "PREVAILING PARTY FEES 28 "SECTION 25. ORS 20.190 is amended to read: 29 "20.190. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) to (5) of this section, a prevailing party in a 30 31 civil action or proceeding who has a right to recover costs and disbursements in the following cases 32 also has a right to recover, as a part of the costs and disbursements, the following additional 33 amounts: 34 "(a) In the Supreme Court or Court of Appeals, on an appeal, \$100.

"(b) In a circuit court:

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- 1 "(A) When judgment is given without trial of an issue of law or fact or on an appeal, \$85; or
- 2 "(B) When judgment is given after trial of an issue of law or fact, \$105.
- 3 "(c) In a small claims department, a county court or justice court:
 - "(A) When judgment is given without trial of an issue of law or fact or on an appeal, \$50; or
 - "(B) When judgment is given after trial of an issue of law or fact, \$60.
 - "(2) In lieu of the prevailing party fee provided for in subsection (1) of this section, in any civil action or proceeding in which recovery of money or damages is sought, a prevailing party who has a right to recover costs and disbursements also has a right to recover, as a part of the costs and disbursements, the following additional amounts:
 - "(a) In a circuit court:

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- "(A) When judgment is given without trial of an issue of law or fact, [\$300] \$325; or
- "(B) When judgment is given after trial of an issue of law or fact, [\$575] \$600.
- "(b) In a small claims department, a county court or justice court:
- "(A) When judgment is given without trial of an issue of law or fact, [\$100] \$110; or
 - "(B) When judgment is given after trial of an issue of law or fact, [\$115] \$125.
- "(3) In addition to the amounts provided for in subsection (2) of this section, in any civil action or proceeding in a circuit court in which recovery of money or damages is sought, the court may award to the prevailing party up to an additional \$5,000 as a prevailing party fee. The court shall consider the following factors in making an award under the provisions of this subsection:
- "(a) The conduct of the parties in the transactions or occurrences that gave rise to the litigation, including any conduct of a party that was reckless, willful, malicious, in bad faith or illegal.
 - "(b) The objective reasonableness of the claims and defenses asserted by the parties.
- "(c) The extent to which an award of a larger prevailing party fee in the case would deter others from asserting good faith claims or defenses in similar cases.
- "(d) The extent to which an award of a larger prevailing party fee in the case would deter others from asserting meritless claims and defenses.
- "(e) The objective reasonableness of the parties and the diligence of the parties and their attorneys during the proceedings.
- "(f) The objective reasonableness of the parties and the diligence of the parties in pursuing settlement of the dispute.
 - "(g) Any award of attorney fees made to the prevailing party as part of the judgment.
- "(h) Such other factors as the court may consider appropriate under the circumstances of the case.
- "(4) Nonprevailing parties are jointly liable for the prevailing party fees provided for in this section. A court may not award more than one prevailing party fee to a prevailing party under this section, or more than one prevailing party fee against a nonprevailing party regardless of the number of parties in the action, and, upon being paid the amount of the award, the prevailing party may not seek recovery of any additional amounts under the provisions of this section from any other nonprevailing party.
- "(5) In any appeal from the award or denial of a prevailing party fee under subsection (2) of this section, the court reviewing the award may not modify the decision of the court in making or denying an award, or the decision of the court as to the amount of the award, except upon a finding of an abuse of discretion.
- 44 "(6) The prevailing party fees provided for in this section may not be awarded in the following proceedings:

- 1 "(a) A class action proceeding under ORCP 32.
- 2 "(b) A condemnation proceeding.
- 3 "(c) Proceedings under the provisions of ORS chapters 25, 107, 108, 109 and 110.
- 4 "(7) Mandatory arbitration under ORS 36.400 to 36.425 does not constitute a trial of an issue of law or fact for the purposes of this section.
- 6 "SECTION 26. The amendments to ORS 20.190 by section 25 of this 2017 Act apply to actions commenced on or after October 1, 2017.".
- 8 In line 14, delete "25" and insert "27".
- 9 In line 16, delete the blank and insert "8.85".
- In line 19, delete "26" and insert "28" and delete "25" and insert "27".
- In line 24, delete "27" and insert "29".
- In line 30, delete "28" and insert "30".
