

House Bill 3074

Sponsored by Representative HACK

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Transportation to offer extended hours at field offices.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to the Department of Transportation's hours of operation; and declaring an emergency.

2 Whereas the department's field offices serve approximately 13,000 Oregon residents daily; and

3 Whereas when the department closes all field offices on weekends, it reduces the time Oregon
4 residents may access services; and

5 Whereas field office locations that have offered Saturday service experience a high volume of
6 customers; and

7 Whereas the residents of Oregon are the customers of the department; and

8 Whereas the customers fund the paychecks of the department's employees; and

9 Whereas the department closed the field offices that offer Saturday hours, forcing Oregon resi-
10 dents to miss work in order to conduct business with the department; now, therefore,

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

12 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "field office" means a field office operated by the**
13 **Department of Transportation where applications for driver licenses or motor vehicle regis-**
14 **trations are accepted.**

15 **(2) The department shall establish extended weekday and Saturday operating schedules**
16 **for field offices. The department shall extend the hours of operation beyond 5 p.m. Monday**
17 **through Friday for at least half of the field offices. Additionally, at least half of the field of-**
18 **fices shall operate on Saturday.**

19 **(3) After determining the hours of operation for field offices under subsection (2) of this**
20 **section, the department shall advertise the hours of operation in as many ways as practica-**
21 **ble, including but not limited to:**

22 **(a) Enclosing information about the hours of operation in all mailings and notices related**
23 **to driver licenses, motor vehicle titles and motor vehicle registrations;**

24 **(b) Posting the hours of operation at the field offices;**

25 **(c) Broadcasting public service announcements; and**

26 **(d) Using appropriate Internet and other electronic media services that may be available.**

27 **SECTION 2. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
28 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect**
29 **on its passage.**

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