

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 596

By COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND REVENUE

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- 1 On page 1 of the printed bill, line 3, delete “308.250” and insert “307.397”.
- 2 Delete lines 5 through 31 and delete page 2 and insert:
- 3 “**SECTION 1.** ORS 307.397 is amended to read:
- 4 “307.397. (1) The following items of real property machinery and equipment or tangible personal
- 5 property are exempt from ad valorem property taxation:
- 6 “**(a)** Frost control systems used in agricultural or horticultural activities carried on by the
- 7 farmer;
- 8 “**(b)** Trellises used for hops, beans or fruit or for other agricultural or horticultural purposes;
- 9 “**(c)** Hop harvesting equipment, including but not limited to hop pickers;
- 10 “**(d)** Oyster racks, trays, stakes and other in-water structures used to raise bivalve mollusks; or
- 11 “**(e)** Equipment used for the fresh shell egg industry that is directly related and reasonably
- 12 necessary to produce, prepare, package and ship fresh shell eggs from the place of origin to market,
- 13 whether bolted to the floor, wired or plumbed to interconnected equipment, including but not limited
- 14 to grain bins, conveyors for transporting grain, grain grinding machinery, feed storage hoppers,
- 15 cages, egg collection conveyors and equipment for washing, drying, candling, grading, packaging and
- 16 shipping fresh shell eggs.
- 17 “(2) A real property building, structure or improvement is exempt from ad valorem property
- 18 taxation if it:
- 19 “**(a)** Is used primarily to grow plants for agricultural or horticultural production;
- 20 “**(b)** Is covered with polyethylene, fiberglass, corrugated polycarbonate acrylic or any other
- 21 transparent or translucent material designed primarily to allow passage of solar heat and light; and
- 22 “**(c)** Does not have a permanent heat source other than radiant heating provided by direct sun-
- 23 light.
- 24 “**(3) Machinery and equipment used to compress and bale harvested straw, hay, grass or**
- 25 **other plants, including, but not limited to, clover and alfalfa, for the purpose of storage or**
- 26 **shipment is tangible personal property that is exempt from ad valorem property taxation.**
- 27 “**SECTION 2.** The amendments to ORS 307.397 by section 1 of this 2017 Act apply to
- 28 property tax years beginning on or after July 1, 2017.
- 29 “**SECTION 3.** This 2017 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2017
- 30 regular session of the Seventy-ninth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”
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