

Requested by HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
HOUSE BILL 2797**

1 In line 2 of the printed bill, after “fines” insert “; creating new provisions;  
2 amending ORS 1.012, 137.300, 153.019, 153.020, 153.021 and 153.633; and de-  
3 claring an emergency”.

4 Delete lines 4 through 7 and insert:

5 **“SECTION 1.** ORS 153.019, as amended by section 3, chapter 78, Oregon  
6 Laws 2016, is amended to read:

7 “153.019. (1) Except as provided in ORS 153.020, the presumptive fines for  
8 violations are:

9 “(a) [~~\$435~~] **\$440** for a Class A violation.

10 “(b) [~~\$260~~] **\$265** for a Class B violation.

11 “(c) [~~\$160~~] **\$165** for a Class C violation.

12 “(d) [~~\$110~~] **\$115** for a Class D violation.

13 “(2) The presumptive fine for a specific fine violation is:

14 “(a) The amount specified by statute as the presumptive fine for the vio-  
15 lation; or

16 “(b) An amount equal to the greater of 20 percent of the maximum fine  
17 prescribed for the violation, or the minimum fine prescribed by statute for  
18 the violation.

19 “(3) Any surcharge imposed under section 1, chapter 78, Oregon Laws  
20 2016, shall be added to and made a part of the presumptive fine.

21 **“SECTION 2.** ORS 153.020, as amended by section 4, chapter 78, Oregon

1 Laws 2016, is amended to read:

2 “153.020. (1) If a person is charged with a traffic violation, as defined in  
3 ORS 801.557, and the enforcement officer issuing the citation notes on the  
4 citation that the offense occurred in a highway work zone and is subject to  
5 the provisions of ORS 811.230, occurred in a posted school zone and is subject  
6 to the provisions of ORS 811.235, or occurred in a safety corridor and is  
7 subject to the provisions of ORS 811.483, the presumptive fine for the vio-  
8 lation is:

9 “(a) [~~\$870~~] **\$875** for a Class A violation.

10 “(b) [~~\$520~~] **\$525** for a Class B violation.

11 “(c) [~~\$320~~] **\$325** for a Class C violation.

12 “(d) [~~\$220~~] **\$225** for a Class D violation.

13 “(2) Any surcharge imposed under section 1, chapter 78, Oregon Laws  
14 2016, shall be added to and made a part of the presumptive fine.

15 “**SECTION 3.** ORS 153.021 is amended to read:

16 “153.021. (1) Except as otherwise provided by law, a court may not defer,  
17 waive, suspend or otherwise reduce the fine for a violation that is subject  
18 to the presumptive fines established by ORS 153.019 (1) or 153.020 to an  
19 amount that is less than:

20 “(a) [~~\$220~~] **\$225** for a Class A violation.

21 “(b) [~~\$130~~] **\$135** for a Class B violation.

22 “(c) [~~\$80~~] **\$85** for a Class C violation.

23 “(d) [~~\$60~~] **\$65** for a Class D violation.

24 “(2) Except as otherwise provided by law, a court may not defer, waive,  
25 suspend or otherwise reduce the fine for a specific fine violation to an  
26 amount that is less than 20 percent of the presumptive fine for the violation.

27 “(3) This section does not affect the manner in which a court imposes or  
28 reduces monetary obligations other than fines.

29 “(4) The Department of Revenue or Secretary of State may audit any  
30 court to determine whether the court is complying with the requirements of

1 this section. In addition, the Department of Revenue or Secretary of State  
2 may audit any court to determine whether the court is complying with the  
3 requirements of ORS 137.145 to 137.159 and 153.640 to 153.680. The Depart-  
4 ment of Revenue or Secretary of State may file an action under ORS 34.105  
5 to 34.240 to enforce the requirements of this section and of ORS 137.145 to  
6 137.159 and 153.640 to 153.680.

7 **“SECTION 4.** ORS 153.633 is amended to read:

8 “153.633. (1) In any criminal action in a circuit court in which a fine is  
9 imposed, the lesser of the following amounts is payable to the state before  
10 any other distribution of the fine is made:

11 “(a) [~~\$60~~] **\$65**; or

12 “(b) The amount of the fine if the fine is less than [~~\$60~~] **\$65**.

13 “(2) In any criminal action in a justice or municipal court in which a fine  
14 is imposed, the lesser of the following amounts is payable to the state before  
15 any other distribution of the fine is made:

16 “(a) [~~\$45~~] **\$50**; or

17 “(b) The amount of the fine if the fine is less than [~~\$45~~] **\$50**.

18 “(3) A justice or municipal court shall forward the amount prescribed  
19 under subsection (2) of this section to the Department of Revenue for deposit  
20 in the Criminal Fine Account.

21 “(4) The provisions of subsection (2) of this section do not apply to fines  
22 imposed in justice and municipal courts under ORS 811.590, 814.485, 814.486,  
23 814.534, 814.536, 814.600 or 830.990 (1).

24 **“SECTION 5.** ORS 137.300 is amended to read:

25 “137.300. (1) The Criminal Fine Account is established in the General  
26 Fund. Except as otherwise provided by law, all amounts collected in state  
27 courts as monetary obligations in criminal actions shall be deposited by the  
28 courts in the account. All moneys in the account are continuously appro-  
29 priated to the Department of Revenue to be distributed by the Department  
30 of Revenue as provided in this section. The Department of Revenue shall

1 keep a record of moneys transferred into and out of the account.

2 “(2) The Legislative Assembly shall first allocate moneys from the Crim-  
3 inal Fine Account for the following purposes, in the following order of pri-  
4 ority:

5 “(a) Allocations for public safety standards, training and facilities.

6 “(b) Allocations for criminal injuries compensation and assistance to  
7 victims of crime and children reasonably suspected of being victims of crime.

8 “(c) Allocations for the forensic services provided by the Oregon State  
9 Police, including, but not limited to, services of the State Medical Examiner.

10 “(d) Allocations for the maintenance and operation of the Law Enforce-  
11 ment Data System.

12 “(3) After making allocations under subsection (2) of this section, the  
13 Legislative Assembly shall allocate moneys from the Criminal Fine Account  
14 for the following purposes:

15 “(a) Allocations to the Law Enforcement Medical Liability Account es-  
16 tablished under ORS 414.815.

17 “(b) Allocations to the State Court Facilities and Security Account es-  
18 tablished under ORS 1.178.

19 “(c) Allocations to the Department of Corrections for the purpose of  
20 planning, operating and maintaining county juvenile and adult corrections  
21 programs and facilities and drug and alcohol programs.

22 “(d) Allocations to the Oregon Health Authority for the purpose of grants  
23 under ORS 430.345 for the establishment, operation and maintenance of al-  
24 cohool and drug abuse prevention, early intervention and treatment services  
25 provided through a county.

26 “(e) Allocations to the Oregon State Police for the purpose of the  
27 enforcement of the laws relating to driving under the influence of  
28 intoxicants.

29 “(f) Allocations to the Arrest and Return Account established under ORS  
30 133.865.

1 “(g) Allocations to the Intoxicated Driver Program Fund established un-  
2 der ORS 813.270.

3 “(h) **Allocations to the State Court Technology Fund established**  
4 **under ORS 1.012.**

5 “(4) It is the intent of the Legislative Assembly that allocations from the  
6 Criminal Fine Account under subsection (3) of this section be consistent with  
7 historical funding of the entities, programs and accounts listed in subsection  
8 (3) of this section from monetary obligations imposed in criminal pro-  
9 ceedings. Amounts that are allocated under subsection (3)(c) of this section  
10 shall be distributed to counties based on the amounts that were transferred  
11 to counties by circuit courts during the 2009-2011 biennium under the pro-  
12 visions of ORS 137.308, as in effect January 1, 2011.

13 “(5) Moneys in the Criminal Fine Account may not be allocated for the  
14 payment of debt service obligations.

15 “(6) The Department of Revenue shall deposit in the General Fund all  
16 moneys remaining in the Criminal Fine Account after the distributions listed  
17 in subsections (2) and (3) of this section have been made.

18 “(7) The Department of Revenue shall establish by rule a process for dis-  
19 tributing moneys in the Criminal Fine Account. The department may not  
20 distribute more than one-eighth of the total biennial allocation to an entity  
21 during a calendar quarter.

22 “**SECTION 6.** ORS 1.012 is amended to read:

23 “1.012. (1) The State Court Technology Fund is established in the State  
24 Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Interest earned by  
25 the State Court Technology Fund shall be credited to the fund.

26 “(2) All fees received on and after July 1, 2013, for the use of the Oregon  
27 Judicial Case Information Network under ORS 1.002 (6) and for the use of  
28 other state court electronic applications and systems shall be deposited into  
29 the fund.

30 “(3) The fund consists of the moneys deposited into the fund under sub-

1 section (2) of this section [*and*], the moneys deposited into the fund under  
2 **ORS 21.006 and the moneys allocated to the fund under ORS 137.300.**

3 “(4) Moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the Judicial  
4 Department for the purposes of:

5 “(a) Developing, maintaining and supporting state court electronic appli-  
6 cations, services and systems and for providing access to and use of those  
7 applications, services and systems; and

8 “(b) Providing electronic service and filing services.

9 **“SECTION 7. The amendments to ORS 153.019, 153.020, 153.021 and  
10 153.633 by sections 1 to 4 of this 2017 Act apply to offenses committed  
11 on or after January 1, 2018.**

12 **“SECTION 8. This 2017 Act being necessary for the immediate  
13 preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is  
14 declared to exist, and this 2017 Act takes effect on its passage.”.**

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