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### House Bill 2361

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The Department appreciates the opportunity to discuss House bill 2361 with you today. House bill 2361 amends current language in statute to require the Department to offer multiyear recreational licenses, beginning 1/1/2020.

On December 1, 2018, the new Electronic Licensing System went live with the beginning of sales for the 2019 licensing year. The Department is phasing in new features to improve customer experience, including automatic renewals.

The Department recommends consideration of the an extension in the effective date of HB 2361, to allow the Department to analyze license types, economic effect of offering multiyear recreational licenses, and develop the right price point.

Additionally, when the original multiyear license language was developed in 2013 much of the discussion focused on multiyear fishing licenses and the benefits to customers. The Department has many different recreational license types, it is not efficient or recommended that Oregon offer a multiyear license for every type, however where advantageous and beneficial to the customer we would like to offer a multiyear license.

Thank you.

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