

House Bill 3351

Sponsored by Representative KENY-GUYER

SUMMARY

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Increases civil penalty for violations of fireworks laws to be minimum of \$500 and maximum of \$5,000. Provides for payment of reward if civil penalty results from violation first reported by member of public.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to fireworks; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 480.165.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 480.165 is amended to read:

5 480.165. (1) In addition to any other penalty provided by law, any person who violates any pro-
6 vision of ORS 480.111 to 480.165, or any rule adopted by the State Fire Marshal [*pursuant thereto*]
7 **under ORS 480.111 to 480.165**, is subject to a civil penalty imposed by the State Fire Marshal in
8 an amount not [*to exceed \$500*] **less than \$500 and not more than \$5,000** per violation. However,
9 an individual member of the general public who possesses fireworks of a retail value less than \$50
10 is not subject to a civil penalty. Each day a violation continues shall be considered a separate of-
11 fense.

12 (2) All moneys recovered pursuant to this section shall be paid into the State Fire Marshal
13 Fund. **If the civil penalty is imposed for a violation that was first reported by a member of**
14 **the public, notwithstanding ORS 476.055 the State Fire Marshal shall pay from the fund as**
15 **a reward to that member of the public the first \$500 collected from payment of the civil**
16 **penalty.**

17 (3) Civil penalties under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.

18 **SECTION 2.** **The amendments to ORS 480.165 by section 1 of this 2019 Act apply to vio-**
19 **lations of ORS 480.111 to 480.165, or of State Fire Marshal rules adopted under ORS 480.111**
20 **to 480.165, that occur on or after the effective date of this 2019 Act.**

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NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.