

Senate Bill 748

Sponsored by Senator THOMSEN, Representatives GREENLICK, BYNUM

SUMMARY

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Directs Department of Transportation, in conjunction with Oregon Health Authority, to provide to applicant for driver license written material regarding becoming bone marrow donor. Requires department to post signage regarding written material in all locations where driver license is issued. Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to bone marrow; creating new provisions; amending ORS 431A.475; and prescribing an ef-
3 fective date.

4 Whereas the Legislative Assembly finds that every three minutes an American child or adult is
5 diagnosed with a potentially fatal blood disease; and

6 Whereas 20 to 34 percent of individuals with diverse heritage never find a bone marrow donor
7 match; and

8 Whereas for many individuals, bone marrow transplantation is the only chance for survival; and

9 Whereas the key to survivability lies in increasing the number of bone marrow donors across
10 all ethnicities, thus increasing the potential for a suitable match; and

11 Whereas the Legislative Assembly intends to increase awareness of the national bone marrow
12 donor program throughout this state and to increase the number of Oregonians on the national bone
13 marrow donor registry in order to increase the chance that all patients in need of bone marrow
14 transplants will find a suitable bone marrow match; now, therefore,

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

16 **SECTION 1. (1) As used in this section, "driver license" has the meaning given that term**
17 **in ORS 97.953.**

18 **(2) The Department of Transportation, in conjunction with the Oregon Health Authority,**
19 **shall provide an applicant for a driver license with written materials regarding making a**
20 **donation of bone marrow and being placed on a bone marrow donor registry or other list of**
21 **potential bone marrow donors after the transaction related to the driver license is com-**
22 **pleted.**

23 **(3) The department, in consultation with a national bone marrow donation organization**
24 **and other appropriate organizations, and in conjunction with the authority, shall place**
25 **signage in each location where a driver license is issued. The signage must:**

26 **(a) Present information regarding the written materials provided under subsection (2) of**
27 **this section.**

28 **(b) State that any of the applicant's personal information will be used solely for allowing**
29 **the applicant to obtain information on becoming a possible bone marrow donor, and will not**
30 **be used for commercial or fundraising purposes.**

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.

1 **(4) An organization or other third party may not use the information described in sub-**
2 **section (3)(b) of this section for commercial or fundraising purposes.**

3 **(5) The department, in consultation with the authority, may adopt rules to carry out this**
4 **section.**

5 **SECTION 2.** ORS 431A.475 is amended to read:

6 431A.475. (1) The Oregon Health Authority shall educate residents of this state about:

7 (a) The need for bone marrow donors;

8 (b) The procedures required to become registered as a potential bone marrow donor, including
9 procedures for determining a person's tissue type; *[and]*

10 (c) The medical procedures a donor must undergo to donate bone marrow or other sources of
11 blood stem cells; **and**

12 **(d) The ability to obtain information about bone marrow donation when applying for or**
13 **renewing a driver license as defined in ORS 97.953.**

14 (2) The Oregon Health Authority shall make special efforts to educate and recruit citizens of
15 Oregon with a special emphasis on minority populations to volunteer as potential bone marrow do-
16 nors. Means of communication may include use of press, radio and television, and placement of
17 educational materials in appropriate health care facilities, blood banks and state and local agencies.
18 The Oregon Health Authority in conjunction with the Department of Transportation shall make ed-
19 ucational materials available at all places where driver licenses are issued or renewed.

20 **SECTION 3.** (1) **Section 1 of this 2019 Act and the amendments to ORS 431A.475 by sec-**
21 **tion 2 of this 2019 Act become operative on January 1, 2020.**

22 (2) **The Department of Transportation and the Oregon Health Authority may take any**
23 **action before the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary**
24 **to enable the department and the authority to exercise, on and after the operative date**
25 **specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions and powers conferred**
26 **on the department and the authority by section 1 of this 2019 Act and the amendments to**
27 **ORS 431A.475 by section 2 of this 2019 Act.**

28 **SECTION 4.** **This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019**
29 **regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.**

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