

HB 3080 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Carrier: Sen. Woods

Joint Committee On Transportation

Action Date: 02/16/23

Action: Do pass the A-Eng bill.

Senate Vote

Yeas: 3 - Frederick, President Wagner, Woods

Abs: 2 - Boquist, Findley

House Vote

Yeas: 7 - Boshart Davis, Evans, Helfrich, Mannix, McLain, Nathanson, Pham K

Fiscal: Fiscal impact issued

Revenue: No revenue impact

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Meeting Dates: 2/16, 5/11

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Requires the Department of Transportation to adopt rules to allow vehicle dealers and financial institutions to electronically transmit vehicle titles related to vehicle sales. Specifies that vehicle dealer records may be maintained electronically. Specifies circumstances and procedure through which Department may issue vehicle title to vehicle dealer acquiring the vehicle through paying the balance of an outstanding loan.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Benefits of electronic titling
- Applicability to out-of-state titles
- Car titling process
- Security of electronic processes

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Driver and Motor Vehicle Services Division (DMV) of the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is the state agency charged with titling and registering motor vehicles. Many vehicle dealers in Oregon are authorized to act as agents of DMV, which allows them to work with customers to title and register a newly purchased motor vehicle. The dealer assists the customer in filling out DMV forms, collects the required fees, and files both with DMV following the transaction. DMV also maintains regulatory authority over vehicle dealers and conducts the Oregon Dealer Advisory Committee (ODAC) to solicit input from dealers on the administration of laws regulating vehicle dealers.

House Bill 3080 A allows for documents to be submitted to issue and/or transfer vehicle titles in either paper or electronic format. The measure authorizes ODOT to adopt rules governing these electronic submissions. Electronic titles would be optional at the applicant's request. The measure also requires the department to report to the Joint Committee on Transportation regarding rules adoption related to electronic titling.