

**A-Engrossed**  
**Senate Bill 780**

Ordered by the Senate April 14  
Including Senate Amendments dated April 14

Sponsored by Senator FREDERICK

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Creates offense of unlawful fender height modifications. **Provides that offense does not apply if motor vehicle is carrying heavy load that causes rear fender to be four or more inches lower than front fender.** Punishes by maximum fine of \$500, unless commission of offense contributes to accident. Punishes by maximum fine of \$2,000 if commission of offense contributes to accident.

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

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2 Relating to unlawful fender height modifications.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**  
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) A person commits the offense of unlawful fender height modifications if**  
7 **the person operates a motor vehicle on a highway and the motor vehicle has been modified**  
8 **by any means so as to cause the height of the front fender to be four or more inches greater**  
9 **than the height of the rear fender, as measured vertically from the ground through the**  
10 **centerline of the wheel to the bottom of the fender.**

11 **(2) The offense described in this section does not apply when a motor vehicle is carrying**  
12 **a load that causes the height of the front fender to be four or more inches greater than the**  
13 **height of the rear fender.**

14 **(3) The offense described in this section, unlawful fender height modifications, is a Class**  
15 **C traffic violation unless commission of the offense contributes to an accident. If commission**  
16 **of the offense contributes to an accident, the offense is a Class A traffic violation.**

17 **SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act applies to offenses occurring on or after the ef-**  
18 **fective date of this 2023 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.