

REVISE: Cash Pay Bill - SB 910

Request

Support SB 910 which clarifies language in SB 1565 (2022) regarding payment types and also adds an additional exemption for certain parking pay stations from requirement to accept both coins and currency as payment.

<u>Issue</u>

Senate Bill 1565 (2022), effective June 2022, allows only parking pay stations that accept cards and coins but not currency (bills). Many cities provide parking pay stations that accept cards and currency (bills), but not coins. This is the case in Eugene for on street parking, parking garages, and at the Eugene Airport. The machines were installed prior to the passage of SB 1565

Examples: Eugene Airport

The requirement to accept currency and coins is a challenge at the Eugene Airport, as the rates for airport parking are in whole dollar increments and the cash pay machines at the exits and in the terminal are not designed to accept coinage. Instead, credit cards and paper bills are the available options. To date, the Airport has not any requests for accepting coins for the payment of parking services.

Example: Eugene Parking

The City of Eugene has two parking structures with onsite, pay-on-foot machines that that accepts credit cards and bills but not coins. The parking customer may also use their credit card or parking access card to enter/exit the garages. Like the Eugene Airport, the

equipment is not designed to accept coins. The parking fees are whole dollar amounts and the hourly rate is rounded down to the next hour to determine the fee.



Proposed Solution

SB 910 amends SB 1565 (2022) in a small manner, as seen below (*Chapter 98, Section 1, Oregon Laws 2022*):

Amending: (t) On-street and off-street parking pay stations that [do not accept currency, provided that the pay station accepts] accept either coins or currency as one method of payment[.]; or

Adding: (u) On-street and off-street parking pay stations that do not accept coins or currency, provided that access to another pay station that accepts coins or currency as payment for the parking is made readily available to patrons.