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House Bill 2154

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CHAPTER

AN ACT

Relating to county safety corridors; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 153.020.

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle Code.

SECTION 2. (1) If the board of county commissioners of a county finds that a segment of county road within the county demonstrates a safety concern, the board may designate that segment as a safety corridor. The board of county commissioners for each county may designate no more than two safety corridors at one time. This section applies only to county roads for which the county is the road authority.

(2) A safety corridor designated under subsection (1) of this section must satisfy the criteria established by the board. Before designating a safety corridor the board shall:

(a) Establish objective criteria for designating a segment of highway as a safety corridor under this section; and

(b) Establish requirements for regular community engagement, heightened enforcement, engineering improvements, infrastructure investments and public outreach.

(3) Counties shall post signs in safety corridors designated by the board indicating that fines for traffic offenses committed in the safety corridor will be doubled.

(4)(a) The presumptive fine for a person charged with an offense that is listed in paragraph (d)(A) or (B) of this subsection and that is committed in a safety corridor designated by the board under this section shall be the amount established under ORS 153.020.

(b) The minimum fine for a person convicted of a misdemeanor offense that is listed in paragraph (d)(C) to (G) of this subsection and that is committed in a safety corridor designated by the board under this section is 20 percent of the maximum fine established for the offense.

(c) The minimum fine for a person convicted of a felony offense that is listed in paragraph (d)(C) to (G) of this subsection and that is committed in a safety corridor designated by the board under this section is two percent of the maximum fine established for the offense.

(d) This subsection applies to the following offenses if committed in the designated safety corridors:

(A) Class A or Class B traffic violations.

(B) Class C or Class D traffic violations related to exceeding a legal speed.

(C) Reckless driving, as defined in ORS 811.140.

(D) Driving while under the influence of intoxicants, as defined in ORS 813.010.

(E) Failure to perform the duties of a driver involved in a collision, as described in ORS 811.700 or 811.705.

(F) Criminal driving while suspended or revoked, as defined in ORS 811.182.

(G) Fleeing or attempting to elude a police officer, as defined in ORS 811.540.

SECTION 3. ORS 153.020 is amended to read:

153.020. (1) If a person is charged with a traffic violation, as defined in ORS 801.557, and the enforcement officer issuing the citation notes on the citation that the offense occurred in a highway work zone and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.230, occurred in a posted school zone and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.235, or occurred in a safety corridor and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.483 or section 2, chapter 501, Oregon Laws 2019, **or section 2 of this 2025 Act**, the presumptive fine for the violation is:

(a) \$875 for a Class A violation.

(b) \$525 for a Class B violation.

(c) \$325 for a Class C violation.

(d) \$225 for a Class D violation.

(2) Any surcharge imposed under ORS 1.188 shall be added to and made a part of the presumptive fine.

SECTION 4. ORS 153.020, as amended by section 4, chapter 501, Oregon Laws 2019, is amended to read:

153.020. (1) If a person is charged with a traffic violation, as defined in ORS 801.557, and the enforcement officer issuing the citation notes on the citation that the offense occurred in a highway work zone and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.230, occurred in a posted school zone and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.235, or occurred in a safety corridor and is subject to the provisions of ORS 811.483 **or section 2 of this 2025 Act**, the presumptive fine for the violation is:

(a) \$875 for a Class A violation.

(b) \$525 for a Class B violation.

(c) \$325 for a Class C violation.

(d) \$225 for a Class D violation.

(2) Any surcharge imposed under ORS 1.188 shall be added to and made a part of the presumptive fine.

SECTION 5. Section 2 of this 2025 Act and the amendments to ORS 153.020 by sections 3 and 4 of this 2025 Act apply to offenses committed on or after the effective date of this 2025 Act.

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