

House Bill 3318

Sponsored by Representative EVANS

SUMMARY

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Digest: This Act allows the EQC to adopt enhanced civil penalties for cargo tank vehicles that break some laws. (Flesch Readability Score: 61.6).

Authorizes the Environmental Quality Commission to adopt by rule a schedule of enhanced civil penalties for violations of certain environmental laws involving cargo tank motor vehicles.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to civil penalties for violation of environmental laws.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 468.**

5 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "cargo tank motor vehicle" means a motor ve-**
6 **hicle with one or more cargo tanks permanently attached to or forming an integral part of**
7 **the motor vehicle.**

8 **(2) The Environmental Quality Commission may, to the extent authorized by federal law,**
9 **adopt by rule a schedule establishing enhanced civil penalty amounts that may be assessed,**
10 **in addition to the amount prescribed by the schedule adopted under ORS 468.130, for a vio-**
11 **lation described in ORS 468.140 that involves a cargo tank motor vehicle.**

12 **(3) In imposing a penalty pursuant to a schedule authorized by this section, the com-**
13 **mission shall consider the construction of the cargo tank motor vehicle and reduce the**
14 **amount of the penalty if the construction of the cargo tank motor vehicle exceeds specifi-**
15 **cations for the construction of cargo tank motor vehicles required under federal law.**

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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.