

A-Engrossed
House Bill 2569

Ordered by the House April 24
Including House Amendments dated April 24

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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.

Establishes consular corps registration plates for use on motor vehicles.
Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to registration plates; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2009 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "honorary consul" means a resident of Oregon**
7 **who has been duly appointed by a foreign country as an honorary consular officer to the**
8 **United States, pursuant to the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations.**

9 **(2) Upon application by an honorary consul who qualifies under this section, the Depart-**
10 **ment of Transportation shall issue consular corps registration plates for use on the motor**
11 **vehicle of the honorary consul. Registration plates issued under this section may be displayed**
12 **on the vehicle of the honorary consul in lieu of regular registration plates issued under the**
13 **vehicle code.**

14 **(3) The following apply to registration plates issued under this section:**

15 **(a) The plates shall be considered customized plates for purposes of the fee in ORS**
16 **805.250.**

17 **(b) The plates shall be assigned to a specific vehicle.**

18 **(c) The plates may not be transferable from vehicle to vehicle, except as provided by the**
19 **department by rule.**

20 **(d) The plates shall be valid for the term in which the person is acting in the official**
21 **capacity of honorary consul for a foreign consulate. If the term of honorary consul continues**
22 **into a new registration period, the department may provide for validation of the plates for**
23 **the subsequent term by means of a sticker or by any other means the department deter-**
24 **mines convenient.**

25 **(e) The person to whom the plates are issued may retain the plates after the official term**
26 **of honorary consul is over, but the plates may not be valid if displayed on any vehicle when**
27 **the term of honorary consul has ended and the person is no longer appointed as an honorary**
28 **consul.**

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.

1 (4) To qualify for consular corps registration plates, the person must provide the de-
2 partment with proof that the person is appointed by a government as an honorary consul
3 and is acting in that capacity.

4 (5) The department shall adopt rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

5 SECTION 3. This 2009 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public
6 peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2009 Act takes effect
7 on its passage.

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