

House Bill 2569

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

SUMMARY

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Establishes consular corps registration plates for use on motor vehicles.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1 Relating to registration plates.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

