

Senate Bill 746

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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 **as introduced**.

Requires person applying for renewal of driver license or driver permit to pass knowledge test of traffic laws.

Directs Department of Transportation to combine Oregon driver manual with Oregon bicyclist manual.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to driving privileges; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 807.150.

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

SECTION 1. ORS 807.150 is amended to read:

807.150. (1) When a license expires or is about to expire, the Department of Transportation shall renew the license under this section if the *[holder of]* **person who holds** the license qualifies for renewal of the license under this section and:

(a) Applies for renewal within one year of the expiration of a similar license under ORS 807.130;

or

(b) Applies for issuance of a license within six months after the *[applicant]* **person** is discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States and was licensed by this state at the time of the *[applicant's]* **person's** entry into the Armed Forces.

(2) To qualify for renewal of a license under this section, a person must:

(a) Meet all of the requirements under ORS 807.040 for the class of license sought to be renewed; **and** *[, except that the department may waive the examination under ORS 807.070 of a person applying for renewal of a license unless the department has reason to believe that the applicant is not qualified to hold the license or unless the applicant for renewal has not previously been examined]*

(b) **Pass a test of the person's knowledge and understanding of the traffic laws of this state, as described in ORS 807.070 (2).**

(3) To receive a renewal under this section, the license renewal fee and the Student Driver Training Fund eligibility fee under ORS 807.370 must be paid.

(4) If a person who applies for a renewal under this section is not qualified to renew the class of license sought to be renewed, the department may issue the person any lower class of license for which the person qualifies in lieu of renewing the person's license for the class of license held by the person.

(5) A license that is renewed under this section may be used on or after the date of issuance. If the department issues a license renewal to a person under this section before the expiration of the license being renewed, the older license is invalid. A license that becomes invalid under this subsection shall be destroyed by the person to whom it was issued.

(6) If the address of the *[applicant]* **person** has changed since the last time a license was issued

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 to or renewed for the [applicant] **person**, the department shall require proof to verify the address
2 of [an applicant] **a person** for renewal of a license in addition to anything else the department may
3 require of the [applicant] **person**. The department shall adopt rules to identify what constitutes proof
4 of address for purposes of this subsection. Verification of proof of address may include, but is not
5 limited to, providing a utility bill, a tax return, a record from a financial institution, a proof of in-
6 surance card or a health benefits card, a selective service card, a mortgage document or a lease
7 agreement. The [applicant] **person** may provide the proof of address by submitting proof in the form
8 of an original document or a copy of a document, use an electronic device to display proof of ad-
9 dress, or provide proof through the use of a third party address verification system.

10 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section:**

11 (a) **“Oregon bicyclist manual” means a publication of the Department of Transportation**
12 **intended for the instruction of bicyclists and pedestrians.**

13 (b) **“Oregon driver manual” means a publication of the department intended for the in-**
14 **struction of person’s applying for driver licenses and driver permits.**

15 (2) **Instead of publishing two separate manuals, the department shall combine the Oregon**
16 **driver manual with the Oregon bicyclist manual.**

17 **SECTION 3. (1) The amendments to ORS 807.050 by section 1 of this 2019 Act apply to**
18 **persons renewing a driver license or driver permit on or after the effective date of this 2019**
19 **Act.**

20 (2) **Section 2 of this 2019 Act applies to manuals published on or after the effective date**
21 **of this 2019 Act. On or after the effective date of this 2019 Act, the Department of Trans-**
22 **portation may continue to distribute any remaining manuals published before the effective**
23 **date of this 2019 Act.**

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