A-Engrossed Senate Bill 694

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

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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.

[Requires law enforcement agency to alter police vehicle so that it no longer resembles police vehicle before selling or transferring title.]

Creates offense of operating impostor police vehicle. Provides exceptions. Punishes by maximum fine of \$2,000.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to police vehicles.

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

SECTION 1. Before selling or transferring title to a police vehicle, a law enforcement 4 agency, as defined in ORS 136.595, shall take all steps necessary to alter the vehicle so that 5 the vehicle no longer resembles a police vehicle, including removing any insignia or other 6 marking of the vehicle identifying it as a police vehicle and removing the spotlights, push 7 bumper and light bar. 8 SECTION 2. Section 3 of this 2013 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle 9 10 Code. 11 SECTION 3. (1) A person commits the offense of operating an impostor police vehicle if the person operates a motor vehicle on a highway or premises open to the public and the 12

13 vehicle is painted in a manner that resembles a vehicle used by a police officer.

14 (2) This section does not apply to:

(a) Persons using vehicles described in subsection (1) of this section exclusively for movie
or television production;

(b) Employees of law enforcement agencies, as defined in ORS 136.595, acting within the
scope of their employment;

(c) Persons test-driving vehicles to facilitate repair or maintenance of the vehicles or
installation or removal of police vehicle equipment on or from the vehicles;

(d) Vehicle dealers in possession of new police vehicles for purposes of sale or display;
or

(e) Companies that sell or offer for sale police vehicles or police vehicle equipment, for
the purpose of test-driving the vehicles or demonstrating the equipment.

(3) The offense described in this section, operating an impostor police vehicle, is a Class
A traffic violation.

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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.