

**HB 2070 A STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY**

**Carrier:** Sen. Dembrow

**Senate Committee On Environment and Natural Resources**

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**Action Date:** 04/25/19  
**Action:** Do pass the A-Eng bill.  
**Vote:** 4-0-1-0  
**Yeas:** 4 - Bentz, Dembrow, Prozanski, Roblan  
**Exc:** 1 - Olsen  
**Fiscal:** Fiscal impact issued  
**Revenue:** No revenue impact  
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**Meeting Dates:** 4/18, 4/25

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Authorizes Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) to accept payment by credit card for products or services. Authorizes ODFW to establish reasonable fee to offset financial institution fees for credit card transactions. Requires Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission (Commission) to establish fee by rule. Authorizes agents, other than county clerks or ODFW employees, to retain \$1 for providing services specified by contract between the agent and department. Establishes Commission process for establishing replacement fees for lost, destroyed, or stolen licenses, tags, or permits. Authorizes Commission to require holder of lost, destroyed, or stolen licenses, tags, or permits to attest to an agent of Commission. Replaces requirement that Commission adopt system for license renewal through mail and World Wide Web with discretionary authorization to adopt a system through mail or World Wide Web.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Changes needed to fully implement new agency electronic licensing system
- Rulemaking to set fee
- Opportunity to reduce cost for duplicate license

**EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:**

Under current law, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) cannot pass on credit card surcharge fees associated with sales transactions to a customer. Other agencies, such as the Oregon Departments of Transportation, Justice, and Revenue, may add a surcharge to a total amount to offset fees. House Bill 2070 A would authorize ODFW to accept payment by credit card, establish a fee to offset costs of credit card transactions, and allow contracted agents to retain a portion of fees for other provided services.

In 2001, the Oregon Legislative Assembly enacted House Bill 3099, which directed the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt a system for renewing licenses through both the mail and the World Wide Web. House Bill 2070 A would allow but not require ODFW to use mail or the World Wide Web for the license renewal system.