

House Bill 2622

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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**.

Establishes Organ Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund.

Directs Department of Transportation to accept donations to fund. Becomes operative January 1, 2021.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to the Organ Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund.

3 Whereas organ, eye and tissue donation in Oregon has saved hundreds of lives and given sight,
4 mobility and a better quality of life to thousands more; and

5 Whereas the State of Oregon, through the Department of Transportation, has a decades-long
6 relationship with designated organ procurement organizations, in which the department invites cus-
7 tomers to join the anatomical donor registry and have a "D" placed on their driver license or
8 identification card; and

9 Whereas nearly 2.3 million Oregonians are part of the anatomical donor registry, 98 percent of
10 whom joined the registry through contact with the department; and

11 Whereas further outreach to and education of Oregonians will lead to even greater participation
12 in the donor registry, resulting in more lives saved, sight given and lives improved; now, therefore,

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

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

15 (a) "Anatomical gift" has the meaning given that term in ORS 97.953.

16 (b) "Donor registry" has the meaning given that term in ORS 97.953.

17 (c) "Organ procurement organization" has the meaning given that term in ORS 97.953.

18 **(2) The Organ Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund is established in the State**
19 **Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Moneys in the fund are continuously**
20 **appropriated to the Department of Transportation as provided in this section.**

21 **(3) The fund shall consist of any moneys directed to the fund by law, gift, grant or do-**
22 **nation.**

23 **(4) The department shall transfer the moneys in the fund to the organ procurement or-**
24 **ganization that has established a donor registry in this state, for the purpose of conducting**
25 **statewide outreach and public education related to anatomical gifts.**

26 **SECTION 2. (1) The Department of Transportation shall accept donations of \$3 or more**
27 **for the Organ Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund established under section 1 of this**
28 **2019 Act whenever a person:**

29 (a) Applies for a driver permit, driver license or identification card; or

30 (b) Renews a driver permit, driver license or identification card.

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 (2) The form a person must use to apply or renew as described in subsection (1) of this
2 section must notify the person of the option to donate to the fund.

3 (3) After deducting the expenses for collecting and transferring a donation under this
4 section, the department shall transfer the moneys to the fund.

5 **SECTION 3.** (1) A person that applies online for the renewal of vehicle registration may
6 donate to the Organ Donor Registry and Public Awareness Fund established under section 1
7 of this 2019 Act. The Department of Transportation shall maintain, on its vehicle registration
8 renewal website and online application form, a link to the website of the organ procurement
9 organization that has established a donor registry in this state, as described in section 1 of
10 this 2019 Act, for the purpose of redirecting the person to a website that accepts donations
11 for deposit into the fund.

12 (2) The vehicle registration renewal website and online application form must notify the
13 person of the option to donate to the fund.

14 **SECTION 4.** Section 2 of this 2019 Act becomes operative on January 1, 2021.
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