# B-Engrossed Senate Bill 454

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## SUMMARY

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Transfers administration of Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act, unclaimed estates and escheating funds from Department of State Lands to State Treasurer.

Eliminates additional requirements for recovering proceeds of unclaimed United States savings bonds.

Becomes operative July 1, [2020] 2021.

Takes effect on 91st day following adjournment sine die.

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to administering unclaimed properties; creating new provisions; amending ORS 60.674, 2 3 62.720, 63.674, 65.674, 87.691, 90.425, 97.170, 98.050, 98.302, 98.329, 98.348, 98.352, 98.353, 98.354, 98.356, 98.362, 98.366, 98.372, 98.376, 98.382, 98.384, 98.386, 98.388, 98.392, 98.396, 98.402, 98.412, 4 98.416, 98.422, 98.424, 98.991, 98.992, 112.055, 113.045, 113.075, 113.085, 113.105, 113.235, 113.238, 5 113.242, 114.325, 114.505, 114.520, 114.535, 116.193, 116.203, 116.243, 116.253, 146.125, 183.635, 6 273.125, 273.141, 273.183, 287A.474, 293.450, 293.455, 293.460, 293.701, 314.840, 327.405, 652.405, 7 657.665, 708A.430, 708A.655, 711.225, 711.230, 711.235, 711.590, 716.905, 716.910, 723.466 and 8 9 723.844 and section 2, chapter 91, Oregon Laws 2018, section 2, chapter 95, Oregon Laws 2018, 10 and sections 22 and 23, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018; and prescribing an effective date. Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon: 11

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# TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATION

15 <u>SECTION 1.</u> The duties, functions and powers of the Department of State Lands are im-16 posed upon, transferred to and vested in the State Treasurer as they relate to:

17 (1) The Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act in ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992.

(2) Administration of estates as provided in ORS 112.055, 113.085, 113.235, 113.238, 113.242
and 114.505 to 114.560 and the duties of an estate administrator as personal representative
of an estate under ORS chapters 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116 and 117; and

21(3) Property escheated to the state and held under ORS 112.055, 113.085, 113.242, 114.555,22116.193, 116.203, 116.253, 652.405, 708A.430 and 723.466, or any other source of escheated

23 property or funds.

24 <u>SECTION 2.</u> (1) The Director of the Department of State Lands shall:

25 (a) Deliver to the State Treasurer all records and property within the jurisdiction of the

**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 director that relate to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 1 of this 2019

2 Act; and

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3 (b) Transfer to the State Treasurer those employees engaged primarily in the exercise
4 of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 1 of this 2019 Act.

5 (2) The State Treasurer shall take possession of the records and property, and shall take 6 charge of the employees and employ them in the exercise of the duties, functions and powers 7 transferred by section 1 of this 2019 Act, without reduction of compensation but subject to 8 change or termination of employment or compensation as provided by law.

9 (3) The Governor shall resolve any dispute between the Department of State Lands and 10 the State Treasurer relating to transfers of records, property and employees under this 11 section. The Governor's determination is final.

12 <u>SECTION 3.</u> The transfer of duties, functions and powers to the State Treasurer by sec-13 tion 1 of this 2019 Act does not affect any action, proceeding or prosecution with respect to 14 such duties, functions and powers begun before and pending at the time of the transfer, ex-15 cept that the State Treasurer may be substituted for the Department of State Lands in the 16 action, proceeding or prosecution.

SECTION 4. (1) Nothing in sections 1 to 6 of this 2019 Act relieves a person of a liability, duty or obligation accruing under or with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 1 of this 2019 Act. The State Treasurer may undertake the collection or enforcement of any such liability, duty or obligation.

(2) The rights and obligations of the Department of State Lands under contracts, leases
and business transactions executed, entered into or begun before the operative date of section 1 of this 2019 Act with respect to the duties, functions and powers transferred by section
1 of this 2019 Act are transferred to the State Treasurer. For the purpose of succession to
these rights and obligations, the State Treasurer is a continuation of the Department of
State Lands and not a new authority.

27 <u>SECTION 5.</u> Notwithstanding the transfer of duties, functions and powers by section 1 28 of this 2019 Act, the rules of the Department of State Lands with respect to such duties, 29 functions or powers transferred under section 1 of this 2019 Act in effect on the operative 30 date of section 1 of this 2019 Act continue until superseded or repealed by rules of the State 31 Treasurer. References in such rules to the Department of State Lands or an officer or em-32 ployee of the Department of State Lands are considered references to the State Treasurer 33 or an officer or employee of the State Treasurer.

34 SECTION 6. In any uncodified law or resolution of the Legislative Assembly or in any 35rule, document, record or proceeding authorized by the Legislative Assembly, within the context of the duties, functions and powers transferred by section 1 of this 2019 Act, wher-36 37 ever reference is made to the Department of State Lands, or an officer or employee of the 38 Department of State Lands, whose duties, functions or powers are transferred by section 1 of this 2019 Act, the reference is considered to be a reference to the State Treasurer or an 39 officer or employee of the State Treasurer charged with carrying out such duties, functions 40 and powers. 41

43 UNIFORM DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED PROPERTY ACT
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 45 SECTION 7. ORS 98.302 is amended to read:

1 98.302. As used in ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992, unless the context otherwise requires:

2 [(1) "Administrator" means the Director of the Department of State Lands.]

3 [(2)] (1) "Apparent owner" means the person whose name appears on the records of the holder 4 as the person entitled to property held, issued or owing by the holder.

5 [(3)] (2) "Business association" means a nonpublic corporation, joint stock company, business 6 trust, partnership, investment company or an association for business purposes of two or more in-7 dividuals, whether or not for profit, including a financial institution, insurance company or utility.

8 [(4)] (3) "Domicile" means the state of incorporation of a corporation and the state of the prin-9 cipal place of business of an unincorporated person.

[(5)] (4) "Financial institution" means a financial institution or a trust company, as those terms
are defined in ORS 706.008, a safe deposit company, a private banker, a savings and loan association,
a building and loan association or an investment company.

[(6)] (5) "Holder" means a person, wherever organized or domiciled, who is in possession of
 property belonging to another, a trustee or indebted to another on an obligation.

15 [(7)] (6) "Insurance company" means an association, corporation, fraternal or mutual benefit 16 organization, whether or not for profit, [which] that is engaged in providing insurance coverage, 17 including accident, burial, casualty, workers' compensation, credit life, contract performance, dental, 18 fidelity, fire, health, hospitalization, illness, life (including endowments and annuities), malpractice, 19 marine, mortgage, surety and wage protection insurance.

20 [(8)] (7) "Intangible property" includes:

(a) Credit balances, customer overpayments, security deposits, refunds, credit memos, unpaid
 wages, unused airline tickets and unidentified remittances;

23 (b) Stocks and other intangible ownership interests in business associations;

(c) Moneys deposited to redeem stocks, bonds, coupons, and other securities, or to make dis-tributions;

26 (d) Amounts due and payable under the terms of insurance policies;

(e) Amounts distributed from a trust or custodial fund established under a plan to provide
health, welfare, pension, vacation, severance, retirement, death, stock purchase, profit sharing, employee savings, supplemental unemployment insurance or similar benefits; and

30 (f) Moneys, checks, drafts, deposits, interest, dividends and income.

[(9)] (8) "Last-known address" means a description of the location of the apparent owner suffi cient for the purpose of delivery of mail.

[(10)] (9) "Lawful deduction" means a deduction related to the purpose of an account or deposit,
 for example, to satisfy unpaid utility bills.

35 [(11)] (10) "Owner" means a depositor in case of a deposit, a beneficiary in case of a trust other 36 than a deposit in trust, a creditor, claimant, or payee in case of other intangible property, or a 37 person, or the person's legal representative, having a legal or equitable interest in property.

[(12)] (11) "Person" means an individual, business association, state or other government or
 political subdivision or agency, public corporation, public authority, two or more persons having a
 joint or common interest, or any other legal or commercial entity.

41 [(13)] (12) "Service charge" means fees or charges that are limited to a specific situation and 42 that meet basic contractual and notice requirements.

43 [(14)] (13) "State" means any state, district, commonwealth, territory, insular possession or any
 44 other area subject to the legislative authority of the United States.

45 [(15)] (14) "Utility" means a person who owns or operates for public use, any plant, equipment,

property, franchise or license for the transmission of communications or the production, storage,
 transmission, sale, delivery or furnishing of electricity, water, steam or gas.

3 **SECTION 8.** ORS 98.329 is amended to read:

4 98.329. A holder, with the written consent of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer,

5 and in compliance with rules prescribed by the [department] State Treasurer, may report and de-

6 liver property before the property is presumed abandoned.

7 **SECTION 9.** ORS 98.348 is amended to read:

98.348. (1) At any time after property has been paid or delivered to the [Department of State
Lands] State Treasurer under ORS 98.352, another state may recover the property if one or more
of the following is true:

(a) The property was subjected to custody by this state because the records of the holder did not reflect the last-known address of the apparent owner when the property was presumed abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992; and the other state establishes that the last-known address of the apparent owner or other person entitled to the property was in that state and under the laws of that state the property escheated to or was subject to a claim of abandonment by that state.

(b) The last-known address of the apparent owner or other person entitled to the property, as reflected by the records of the holder, is in the other state and under the laws of that state the property has escheated to or become subject to a claim of abandonment by that state.

(c) The records of the holder were erroneous in that they did not accurately reflect the owner
of the property and the last-known address of the owner is in the other state and under the laws
of that state the property escheated to or was subject to a claim of abandonment by that state.

(d) The property was subjected to custody by this state and under the laws of the state of
domicile of the holder the property has escheated to or become subject to a claim of abandonment
by that state.

(e) The property is the sum payable on a traveler's check, money order or other similar instrument that was subjected to custody by this state under ORS 98.309, and the instrument was purchased in the other state and under the laws of that state the property escheated to or became subject to a claim of abandonment by that state.

(2) The claim of another state to recover escheated or unclaimed property must be presented in
a form prescribed by the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer. The [department] State
Treasurer shall decide the claim within 90 days after it is presented.

(3) The [department] State Treasurer shall require a state, before recovering property under
 this section, to agree to indemnify this state and its officers and employees against any liability on
 a claim for the property.

36 SECTION 10. ORS 98.352 is amended to read:

37 98.352. (1) [Every person holding funds or other property, tangible or intangible,] A holder of property presumed abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 [shall report and pay or deliver 38 to the Department of State Lands all property presumed abandoned as provided in this section, except 39 that] shall deliver to the State Treasurer the report described in subsection (2) of this section 40 and shall pay or deliver to the State Treasurer, for deposit in the Unclaimed Property Re-41 volving Fund, all property presumed abandoned, except that for the following funds the 42 holder is not required to deliver the funds presumed abandoned to the State Treasurer: 43 (a) Funds transferred to the General Fund under ORS 293.455 (1)(a) [shall only be reported to the 44

45 department].

1 (b) Funds in the possession of the Child Support Program described in ORS 180.345 [shall only 2 be reported to the department].

3 (c) Funds described in ORS 9.725 (3) or 98.386 (2) that are held in lawyer trust accounts [shall
4 only be reported to the department] or in the possession of the Oregon State Bar.

5 (2) [The report shall be verified as to the accuracy of the information contained and shall] A re-6 port must include:

(a) Except with respect to traveler's checks and money orders, the name, if known, and address,
if known, of each person appearing from the records of the holder to be the owner of any property
of value of \$50 or more presumed abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992;

10 (b) In case of unclaimed funds of life insurance corporations, the full name of the insured or 11 annuitant and last-known address according to the life insurance corporation's records;

(c) The nature and identifying number, if any, or description of the property and the amount
appearing from the records to be due, except that items of value under \$50 each may be reported
in aggregate;

(d) The date when the property became payable, demandable, or returnable, and the date of the
last transaction with the owner with respect to the property; and

(e) Other information that the [department] State Treasurer prescribes by rule as necessary for
 the administration of ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992.

(3) If the [person holding] holder of property presumed abandoned is a successor to other [persons who previously held the property for the owner,] holders or [if the holder] has had a name change while holding the property, the holder shall file with the report all prior known names and addresses and effective dates of changes [if known of each holder of the property].

23(4) The [report shall be filed] holder shall file the report after October 1, but no later than November 1, of each year for accounts dormant as of June 30. Upon written request from any 24 person required to file a report, the [department] State Treasurer may postpone the reporting 25date [upon written request by any person required to file a report]. All records are exempt from public 2627review for 12 months from the time the property is reportable and for 24 months after the property has been remitted to the [department] State Treasurer. All lists of records or property held by a 28government or public authority under ORS 98.336 [shall be] are exempt from public review until 24 2930 months after the property is remitted to the [department] State Treasurer.

(5) If the holder of property presumed abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 knows the whereabouts of the owner and if the owner's claim [*has not been*] **is not** barred by the statute of limitations, the holder shall, before filing the [*annual*] report, communicate with the owner and take necessary steps to prevent abandonment from being presumed. The holder shall exercise due diligence to ascertain the whereabouts of the owner.

(6) If the property presumed abandoned is a lawyer trust account established by an attorney or
law firm, the report required by this section must indicate that the account is a lawyer trust account [in addition to providing the information required by subsection (2) of this section].

39 (7) The holder shall verify the accuracy of the information contained in the report. 40 Verification[,] must be executed by a partner if made by a partnership, [shall be executed by a 41 partner;] by an officer if made by an unincorporated association or private corporation[, by an of-42 ficer;] and by the chief fiscal officer if made by a public corporation[, by its chief fiscal officer].

43 **SECTION 11.** ORS 98.353 is amended to read:

98.353. (1) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall [, on a regular basis,] regu larly provide educational or informational materials to persons required to file a report under ORS

98.352. The educational or informational materials [shall contain, but shall not be limited to,] must 1 2 include information describing: (a) The types of property, tangible and intangible, that are subject to reporting; 3 (b) Persons who typically hold, knowingly or unknowingly, unclaimed property; 4 (c) Record keeping requirements for persons holding unclaimed property; and 5 (d) Any penalties for failing to comply with the provisions of ORS 98.302 to 98.436. 6 [(2) Upon request by the Department of State Lands, the Department of Revenue and the Office of 7 the Secretary of State shall:] 8 9 [(a) Assist the Department of State Lands in determining which persons are required to file a report under ORS 98.352; and] 10 [(b) Allow the Department of State Lands to include information about unclaimed property report-11 12ing requirements in the regular mailings of the Department of Revenue.] (2) The State Treasurer shall coordinate with: 13 (a) The Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Department of Revenue and 14 15 the office of the Secretary of State in determining which persons are required to file a report under ORS 98.352 or who may make a claim under ORS 98.392; and 16 (b) The Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Department of Revenue and 17 18 the Employment Department to include information about unclaimed property reporting requirements and claims in the regular mailings of the departments and in electronic commu-19 20 nications and resources. SECTION 12. ORS 98.354 is amended to read: 212298.354. (1) Every holder required to file a report under ORS 98.352 as to any property for which the holder has obtained an address of the owner, shall maintain a record of the name and last-known 23address of the owner and such signature cards and other evidence [which] that would assist in the 24 identification of the owner for three years after the property has been remitted to the [Department 25of State Lands] State Treasurer. 2627(2) Any business association that sells in this state traveler's checks, money orders or other similar written instruments, other than third party bank checks on which the business association 28is directly liable, or that provides such instruments to others for sale in this state, shall maintain 2930 a record of those instruments while they remain outstanding, indicating the state and date of issue, 31 for five years after the date the property has been remitted to the [department] State Treasurer. SECTION 13. ORS 98.356 is amended to read: 3298.356. (1) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall publish notice of owners' 33 34 unclaimed accounts reported under ORS 98.352. The notice shall be published at least twice in a 35newspaper or other generally circulated periodical published in this state. The [department] State Treasurer may publish such notices at intervals to locate owners of accounts received under ORS 36 37 98.352 (4) in an expedient manner, but shall complete publication of all such accounts within one

38 year of remittance.

(2) The [department] State Treasurer is not required to publish in such notice any item of less
than \$100 unless the [department] State Treasurer deems such publication to be in the public interest.

42 (3) This section is not applicable to sums payable on traveler's checks or money orders presumed43 abandoned under ORS 98.309.

44 (4) The [*department*] **State Treasurer** shall undertake reasonable efforts to locate owners of 45 unclaimed property reported [*to the department*] under ORS 98.352. The costs of such efforts may be

1 deducted from the proceeds that are paid to the owners when and if an owner is located. The [de-

2 partment] **State Treasurer** shall specify, by rule, a maximum percentage of costs that may be de-

3 ducted from a verified claim for unclaimed property.

4 (5) The [Department of State Lands] **State Treasurer** may not disclose to the general public any 5 confidential information provided by the Department of Revenue from taxpayer returns.

6 SECTION 14. ORS 98.362 is amended to read:

98.362. (1) The holder of an intangible equity ownership interest presumed abandoned under ORS
98.322 shall deliver a certificate of ownership or other evidence of ownership to the [Department of
State Lands] State Treasurer as follows:

(a) The original certificate shall be delivered to the [department] State Treasurer when it is
held by the business association, transfer agent, registrar or other person acting on behalf of the
business association.

(b) A duplicate certificate shall be issued to the [department] State Treasurer when the business association, transfer agent, registrar or other person acting on behalf of the holder does not hold the original.

(2) After issuance of a duplicate certificate under subsection (1) of this section, the rights of a
protected purchaser of the original certificate [shall be] are governed by ORS 78.4050. In such event,
[recovery by] the protected purchaser [shall be] may seek recovery against the [department] State
Treasurer to the extent allowed under the Oregon Constitution.

**SECTION 15.** ORS 98.366 is amended to read:

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98.366. (1) Upon the payment or delivery of unclaimed property to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, the state shall assume custody and [shall be] is responsible for [the] its safekeeping [thereof]. Any person who pays or delivers unclaimed property to the [department] State Treasurer under ORS 98.352 is relieved of all liability to the extent of the value of the property [so] paid or delivered for any claim [which] that then exists or [which thereafter] may arise [or be made] in respect to the property.

(2) A holder who has paid money to the [department] State Treasurer under ORS 98.352 may
make payment to any person appearing to the holder to be entitled to payment. The [department]
State Treasurer shall reimburse the holder within 60 days of receiving proof that payment was
made to a person who appeared to the holder to be entitled to payment[. The department shall reimburse the holder for the payment] without imposing any fee or other charge.

32 SECTION 16. ORS 98.372 is amended to read:

98.372. The owner is not entitled to receive income or other increments [which] that have accrued on the property after the property is paid or delivered to the [Department of State Lands]
State Treasurer under ORS 98.352.

36 SECTION 17. ORS 98.376 is amended to read:

98.376. The expiration of any period of time specified by statute or court order, during which an action, suit or proceeding may be commenced or enforced to obtain payment of a claim for money or recovery of property, [shall] **does** not prevent the money or property from being presumed abandoned [, nor] **and does not** affect any duty to file a report required by ORS 98.352 or to pay or deliver unclaimed property to the [Department of State Lands, provided that] **State Treasurer.** This section [shall] **does** not affect any property interests [which became] **that** vested prior to August 20, 1957.

44 **SECTION 18.** ORS 98.382 is amended to read:

45 98.382. (1)(a) The State Treasurer shall sell all unclaimed property [other than money and se-

curities] delivered to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer under [ORS 98.362 shall be 1 sold by the department] ORS 98.352, except money and securities, to the highest bidder at public 2 sale by the method and at the location that the [department] State Treasurer determines are the 3 most favorable for receiving the highest price for the property involved. The [department] State 4 Treasurer may decline the highest bid and reoffer the property for sale if the [department] State 5 Treasurer considers the price bid insufficient. The [department] State Treasurer need not offer 6 any property for sale if, in the [department's] State Treasurer's opinion, the probable cost of sale 7 exceeds the value of the property. 8

9 (b) In choosing the most favorable method for the sale of property under this subsection, the 10 [department] State Treasurer may consider:

11 (A) A public oral auction;

12 (B) An electronic commerce forum; and

(C) Any other method for sale that ensures the highest returns and provides for open, publicparticipation.

(c) In choosing the most favorable location for the sale of property under this subsection, the
 [department] State Treasurer may consider:

17 (A) The population of the location;

18 (B) The cost of conducting the sale in the location;

19 (C) The type of property being sold;

20 (D) The public access to the proposed sale location, including parking; and

21 (E) Any other indicator of market potential of the location.

(2) For a sale by public oral auction held under subsection (1) of this section, the [department]
State Treasurer shall publish at least a single notice of the sale at least 10 days in advance of the
sale in a newspaper of general circulation in the county where the property is to be sold. For a sale
by a method other than public oral auction, the [department] State Treasurer shall publish at least
a single notice in a newspaper of general circulation in Marion County.

(3) Securities listed on an established stock exchange shall be sold on the exchange at prices
prevailing on the exchange at the time of sale. Other securities may be sold over the counter at
prices prevailing at the time of sale or by any other method the [administrator] State Treasurer
considers advisable.

(4) The State Treasurer shall sell all securities and other intangible properties presumed
abandoned [under ORS 98.362 and delivered to the department shall be sold by the department] and
received under ORS 98.362 at such time and place and in such manner as [in the department's
judgment will] the State Treasurer determines will bring the highest return.

(5) The [department] State Treasurer shall indemnify the holder of securities presumed aban doned under ORS 98.322 to the extent allowed by the Oregon Constitution. The [department] State
 Treasurer shall establish procedures by administrative rule to pay the rightful owner proceeds re ceived from securities that were sold before the owner filed a claim to recover such securities.

(6) The purchaser at a sale conducted by the [department] State Treasurer pursuant to this
section shall receive title to the property purchased, free from all claims of the owner or prior
holder of the property and of all persons claiming through or under them. The [department] State
Treasurer shall execute all documents necessary to complete the transfer of title.

43 **SECTION 19.** ORS 98.384 is amended to read:

98.384. If the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer determines after investigation that
 any property delivered under ORS 98.352 has insubstantial commercial value, the [department] State

Treasurer may destroy or otherwise dispose of the property at any time. No action or proceeding 1

2 may be maintained against the state or any officer or against the holder for or on account of any

action taken by the [department] State Treasurer pursuant to this section. 3

SECTION 20. ORS 98.386 is amended to read: 4

98.386. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, all funds received under ORS 5 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992, including the proceeds from the sale of unclaimed property under ORS 6 98.382, shall be deposited by the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in the Common 7 School Fund Account [with the State Treasurer]. Before making the deposit, the [department] State 8 9 Treasurer shall record the name and last-known address of each person appearing from the holders' reports to be entitled to the unclaimed property and the name and last-known address of each in-10 sured person or annuitant, and with respect to each policy or contract listed in the report of a life 11 12 insurance corporation, its number, the name of the corporation, and the amount due.

(2) Any amounts identified as lawyer trust account funds in the report required by ORS 98.352 13 shall be paid or delivered by the [person holding the amounts] holder to the Oregon State Bar along 14 15 with a copy of the report. All amounts paid or delivered to the Oregon State Bar under this section 16 are continuously appropriated to the Oregon State Bar[,] and may be used only for the funding of legal services provided through the Legal Services Program established under ORS 9.572, the pay-17 18 ment of claims allowed under ORS 98.392 (2) and the payment of expenses incurred by the Oregon 19 State Bar in the administration of the Legal Services Program.

20(3) Before making a deposit to the credit of the Common School Fund Account, the [department] State Treasurer may deduct: 21

(a) Any costs in connection with sale of unclaimed property;

23(b) Any costs of mailing and publication in connection with efforts to locate owners of unclaimed property as prescribed by rule; and 24

25(c) Reasonable service charges.

SECTION 21. ORS 98.388 is amended to read: 26

2798.388. There is created from unclaimed property funds an Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund. The moneys in the fund are appropriated continuously to the [Department of State Lands] State 28 **Treasurer** for the purpose of repaying claims [as provided] under ORS 98.396. 29

30 SECTION 22. ORS 98.392 is amended to read:

31 98.392. (1) A person claiming an interest in unclaimed property reported [to the Department of State Lands] under ORS 98.352 may file a claim to the property or to the proceeds from the sale 32of the property at any time after the [person learns that the] property has been reported [to the de-33 34 partment]. Claims shall be filed on the form prescribed by the [department] State Treasurer. The 35[department] State Treasurer may require the person to provide a lost instrument bond if the claim is for securities and the person does not surrender the original certificate to the [department] State 36 37 Treasurer.

38 (2) If a claim is filed under this section for amounts identified as lawyer trust account funds in the report required by ORS 98.352, the [department] State Treasurer shall forward the claim to the 39 Oregon State Bar for review and for payment by the Oregon State Bar if the claim is allowed. The 40 [department] State Treasurer and the Oregon State Bar shall adopt rules for the administration of 41 claims subject to this subsection. 42

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SECTION 23. ORS 98.396 is amended to read:

98.396. (1) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall consider any claim filed under 44 ORS 98.392 and may hold a hearing and receive evidence concerning the claim. If a hearing is held, 45

1 the [department] **State Treasurer** shall prepare findings and a decision in writing on each claim 2 filed, stating the substance of any evidence heard by the [department] **State Treasurer** and the 3 reasons for the decision. [The] **A** decision [shall be] **is** a public record.

4 (2) If the claim allowed is for property deposited in the Common School Fund Account, the [de-5 partment] **State Treasurer** shall return the property or make payment of the proceeds of the sale 6 of the property to the claimant.

7 (3) If the claim allowed is for funds deposited in the General Fund, the [department] State 8 Treasurer shall pay the claim [and file a request for reimbursement with the State Treasurer. The 9 State Treasurer shall reimburse the department within five working days] from the fund against which 10 the check or order represented in the claim was issued.

11 SECTION 24. ORS 98.402 is amended to read:

98.402. (1) A person aggrieved by a decision of the [administrator] State Treasurer under ORS
98.302 to 98.436 may request a [hearing regarding the decision. The Department of State Lands shall
conduct the hearing as a] contested case [proceeding] hearing in accordance with ORS 183.413 to
183.470.

(2) If the [administrator] State Treasurer fails to act on a claim within 120 days after a person
files the claim under ORS 98.392, the [person] claimant may [file a] petition a court under ORS
183.484 [to request a court] to compel the [department] State Treasurer to act [pursuant to ORS
183.490].

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**SECTION 25.** ORS 98.412 is amended to read:

98.412. (1) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer may require a person who has not filed a report under ORS 98.352 to file a verified report stating whether [or not] the person [is holding] holds any unclaimed property reportable or deliverable [under ORS 98.352].

(2) The [department] State Treasurer may at reasonable times and upon reasonable notice examine the records of any person to determine whether the person has complied with the provisions
of ORS 98.352. The [department] State Treasurer may conduct the examination even if the person
believes it is not in possession of any property reportable or deliverable under this section.

(3) To the extent possible, the [department] State Treasurer shall enter into agreements with 28state and federal agencies that regularly examine the records of financial institutions, trust compa-2930 nies, financial holding companies and bank holding companies, as defined in ORS 706.008, and of 31 subsidiaries of such financial institutions, trust companies, financial holding companies and bank 32holding companies. Under the agreements, the state and federal agencies shall examine the records of the financial institution, trust company, financial holding company, bank holding company or 33 34 subsidiary to determine compliance with ORS 98.352. If a state or federal agency does not enter into 35an agreement with the [department] State Treasurer under this subsection, the [department] State **Treasurer** shall conduct the examination of the records of financial institutions, trust companies, 36 37 financial holding companies and bank holding companies to determine compliance with ORS 98.352.

(4) If a holder fails to maintain the records required by ORS 98.354 and the records of the holder
available for the periods subject to ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 are insufficient to permit the
preparation of a report, the [department] State Treasurer may issue a finding that requires the
holder to report and pay the amounts that the [department] State Treasurer reasonably estimates
from the report and available records. [The department shall include in its finding a notice substantially similar to that specified under ORS 183.415. Additionally, the notice shall include]

(5) In addition to the information required under ORS 183.413 and 183.415, the State
 Treasurer shall provide a holder subject to findings under subsection (4) of this section with

1 information about opportunities to resolve disputes through a collaborative dispute resolution pro-

2 cess in lieu of a contested case hearing under ORS 183.413 to 183.470.

3 [(5) Any holder subject to examination under this section may request a hearing regarding the 4 findings issued by the department. The department shall conduct a hearing under this subsection as 5 a contested case proceeding in accordance with ORS 183.413 to 183.470.]

6 SECTION 26. ORS 98.416 is amended to read:

98.416. (1) [If any person refuses to deliver property to the Department of State Lands as required under ORS 98.352, the department] **The State Treasurer** may bring a suit or action in a court of appropriate jurisdiction to enforce delivery of [the] property **not delivered by a holder as required under ORS 98.352**.

(2) The [department] State Treasurer may require [a person] a holder who fails to pay or deliver property within the time prescribed by ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 to pay interest from the date the [department] State Treasurer determines interest should have been paid. Interest shall be paid at the rate set by the Director of the Department of Revenue pursuant to ORS 305.220 (1) and (3).

16 SECTION 27. ORS 98.422 is amended to read:

98.422. The [administrator] State Treasurer is authorized to adopt necessary rules to carry out
 the provisions of ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992.

19 **SECTION 28.** ORS 98.424 is amended to read:

98.424. (1) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer may enter into agreements with other states to exchange information needed to enable this or another state to audit or otherwise determine unclaimed property that this state or another state may be entitled to subject to a claim of custody under ORS 98.348. The [department] State Treasurer may adopt rules requiring the other states to report information needed to enable compliance with agreements made pursuant to this section and prescribing the form for making a claim of custody under ORS 98.348.

(2) **Before adopting, amending or repealing any rules under this section,** to avoid conflicts between the [department's] **State Treasurer's** procedures and the procedures of administrators in other jurisdictions that enact an unclaimed property act, [the department, so far as is] consistent with the purposes, policies and provisions of ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992, [before adopting, amending or repealing rules,] **the State Treasurer** shall advise and consult with administrators in other jurisdictions that enact a substantially similar unclaimed property act and take into consideration the rules of administrators in other jurisdictions that enact an unclaimed property act.

(3) The [department] State Treasurer may join with other states to seek enforcement of ORS
 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 against any person who is or may be holding property reportable under
 ORS 98.352.

(4) At the request of another state, the Attorney General of this state may bring an action in the name of another state to enforce the unclaimed property laws of the other state against a holder in this state of property subject to escheat or a claim of abandonment by the other state, if the other state has agreed to pay expenses incurred by the Attorney General in bringing the action, including attorney fees.

(5) The [department] **State Treasurer**, through the Attorney General of this state, may request the attorney general of another state or any other person to bring an action in the other state in the name of the [department] **State Treasurer** against the holder of property in the other state that is subject to escheat or a claim of abandonment by this state. This state shall pay all expenses including attorney fees in any action under this subsection. Any expenses paid pursuant to this sub-

section may not be deducted from the amount that is subject to the claim by the owner under ORS 1 2 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992.

(6) The [Department of State Lands shall] State Treasurer may not disclose to any other state 3 any confidential information provided by the Department of Revenue from taxpayer returns. 4

SECTION 29. ORS 98.991 is amended to read:

98.991. (1) Any person who willfully fails to render any report or perform other duties required 6 under this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor. 7

(2) Any person who willfully refuses to pay or deliver unclaimed property to the [Department 8 9 of State Lands] State Treasurer as required under this Act is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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SECTION 30. ORS 98.992 is amended to read:

98.992. A person who willfully fails to render any report, to pay or deliver property or to per-11 12 form other duties required by ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992 may be required to forfeit and pay 13 to the State Treasurer to be deposited in the Common School Fund Account, an amount determined by the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer pursuant to ORS 183.745 of not more than 14 15 \$1,000 for individuals and \$50,000 for corporations. This penalty shall be assessed only after at least one reporting cycle, and only after the [department] State Treasurer has provided the person with 16 written instructions, including copies of applicable laws and policies. The [department] State 17 **Treasurer** may waive any penalty due under this section with appropriate justification. 18

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# ESTATE ADMINISTRATION AND ESCHEATED PROPERTY

22SECTION 31. ORS 112.055 is amended to read:

112.055. (1) If, after diligent search and inquiry that is appropriate to the circumstances, taking 23into account the value of the decedent's estate, no person takes under ORS 112.025 to 112.045, the 24 net intestate estate escheats to the State of Oregon. 25

(2) If a devisee or a person entitled to take under ORS 112.025 to 112.045 is not identified or 2627found, the share of that person escheats to the State of Oregon.

(3) If a devisee or a person entitled to take under ORS 112.025 to 112.045 is not identified or 28found: 29

30 (a) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer has the same preference as the missing 31 devisee or person for the purpose of appointment as personal representative under ORS 113.085;

32(b) Title to property of the decedent that would vest in the missing devisee or person under ORS 114.215 vests in the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer; and 33

34 (c) The [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer has all of the rights of the missing devisee or person for the purposes of ORS chapters 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116 and 117, including but not 3536 limited to the following:

37 (A) The right to contest any will of the decedent under ORS 113.075; and

38 (B) The right to information under ORS 113.145.

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SECTION 32. ORS 113.045 is amended to read:

113.045. (1) Upon appointment, a personal representative shall deliver or mail to the [Department] 40 of State Lands] State Treasurer a copy of the petition filed under ORS 113.035, and a copy of any 41 last will of the decedent, if the personal representative has not identified and found all heirs and 42 devisees of the decedent. The personal representative shall file proof of the delivery or mailing with 43 the court. 44

(2) If at any time after the appointment of a personal representative it appears that any heir 45

or devisee of the decedent cannot be identified and found, the personal representative shall promptly 1 2 deliver or mail to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer a notice indicating that an heir or devisee cannot be identified and found. The personal representative shall file proof of the delivery 3 or mailing with the court. 4  $\mathbf{5}$ (3) This section does not affect the requirements of ORS 113.085 (3). SECTION 33. ORS 113.075 is amended to read: 6 113.075. (1) Any interested person may contest the probate of the will or the validity of the will 7 or assert an interest in the estate for the reason that: 8 9 (a) The will alleged in the petition for probate to be the will of the decedent is ineffective in 10 whole or part; (b) There exists a will that has not been alleged in the petition to be the will of the decedent; 11 12or 13 (c) The decedent agreed, promised or represented that the decedent would make or revoke a will or devise, or not revoke a will or devise, or die intestate. 14 15 (2) An action described in subsection (1) of this section must be commenced by the filing of a petition in the probate proceedings, except that an action described in subsection (1)(c) of this sec-16 17 tion may be commenced by the filing of a separate action in any court of competent jurisdiction. 18 (3) An action described in subsection (1) of this section must be commenced before the later of: 19 (a) Four months after the date of delivery or mailing of the information described in ORS 113.145 if that information was required to be delivered or mailed to the person on whose behalf the action 20under subsection (1) of this section is filed; or 2122(b) Four months after the first publication of notice to interested persons if the person on whose behalf the action under subsection (1) of this section is filed was not required to be named in the 2324 petition for probate as an interested person. (4)(a) A person who commences an action under subsection (1) of this section shall give notice 25

of the action to heirs and devisees identified in the petition for probate or amended petition for 2627probate, and to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer if the personal representative has delivered or mailed information to the [department] State Treasurer under ORS 113.045. 28

(b) If any devisee under the contested will is a charitable trust as described in ORS 130.170, a 2930 public benefit corporation as defined in ORS 65.001 or a religious organization, a person who com-31 mences an action under subsection (1) of this section shall give notice to the Attorney General of the action. 32

(5) A cause of action described in subsection (1)(c) of this section may not be presented as a 33 34 claim under ORS chapter 115.

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# SECTION 34. ORS 113.085 is amended to read:

113.085. (1) Except as provided in subsection (3) of this section, upon the filing of the petition 36 37 under ORS 113.035, if there is no will or if there is a will and it has been proved, the court shall appoint a qualified person the court finds suitable as personal representative, giving preference in 38 the following order: 39

(a) The personal representative named in the will. 40

(b) If the surviving spouse of the decedent is a distributee of the estate, the surviving spouse 41 of the decedent or the nominee of the surviving spouse of the decedent. 42

(c) If the person is a distributee of the estate, a person who would be entitled to property of the 43 decedent under intestate succession. 44

(d) Any other distributee of the estate. 45

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1 (e) The Director of Human Services or the Director of the Oregon Health Authority, or an at-2 torney approved under ORS 113.086, if the decedent received public assistance as defined in ORS 3 411.010, received medical assistance as defined in ORS 414.025 or received care at an institution 4 described in ORS 179.321 (1) and it appears that the assistance or the cost of care may be recovered 5 from the estate of the decedent.

6 (f) The Department of Veterans' Affairs, if the decedent was a protected person under ORS 7 406.050 (10) and the department has joined in the petition for such appointment.

8 (g) Any other person.

9 (2) Before the court appoints a personal representative under subsection (1)(b) to (g) of this 10 section, the court may require the petitioner to make a reasonable attempt to notify persons of 11 higher priority than the proposed personal representative under subsection (1)(b) to (g) of this sec-12 tion.

(3) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, the court shall appoint the [Department
of State Lands] State Treasurer as personal representative if it appears that the decedent died
wholly intestate and without known heirs. The Attorney General shall represent the [Department of
State Lands] State Treasurer in the administration of the estate. The State Treasurer shall deposit any funds received by the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in the capacity of
personal representative [may be deposited] in accounts, separate and distinct from the General Fund,
established in the State Treasury. Interest earned by such account shall be credited to that account.

(4) The court may appoint a person other than the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer to administer the estate of a decedent who died wholly intestate and without known heirs if the person filing a petition under ORS 113.035 attaches written authorization from the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer approving the filing of the petition by the person. Except as provided by rule adopted by the [Director of the Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, the [department] State Treasurer may consent to the appointment of another person to act as personal representative only if it appears after investigation that the estate is insolvent.

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SECTION 35. ORS 113.105 is amended to read:

113.105. (1)(a) Except as provided in subsections (2) to (4) of this section, the personal representative may not act, and letters may not be issued to the personal representative, until the personal representative provides a bond to the clerk of the court. The bond must be for the security and benefit of all interested persons and must be conditioned upon the personal representative faithfully performing the duties of the position. The bond must be executed by a surety qualified under ORCP 82 D to G.

(b) The amount of the bond set by the court under this subsection must be adequate to protect
 interested persons. In setting the amount of the bond, the court shall consider:

36 (A) The nature, liquidity and apparent value of the assets of the estate.

37 (B) The anticipated income during administration.

38 (C) The probable indebtedness and taxes.

39 (2) Subsection (1) of this section does not apply if:

(a) The will provides that no bond is required, but the court may, for good cause, require a bond
notwithstanding any provision in a will that no bond is required;

(b) The personal representative is the sole heir or devisee, but the court may, for good cause,
require a bond notwithstanding the fact that the personal representative is the sole heir or devisee;
or

45 (c) The personal representative is the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, the De-

partment of Veterans' Affairs, the Director of Human Services, the Director of the Oregon Health 1

Authority or [an attorney] a person approved under ORS 113.085 or 113.086. 2

(3) Upon a request by the personal representative, the court may waive the requirement of a 3 bond if: 4

 $\mathbf{5}$ (a) The request states the reasons why the waiver is requested; and

(b) The request describes the known creditors of the estate. 6

(4) The court may waive or reduce the requirement of a bond to the extent that:

(a) The personal representative provides written confirmation from a financial institution that 8 9 property of the estate is held by the financial institution subject to withdrawal only on order of the 10 court: or

(b) The court restricts the sale, encumbrance or other disposition of property of the estate 11 12 without prior court approval.

(5) Nothing in this section affects the provisions of ORS 709.240, relating to a trust company 13 acting as personal representative. 14

15 SECTION 36. ORS 113.235 is amended to read:

113.235. The [Director of the Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall appoint one or 16 more estate administrators to [act for the Department of State Lands in administration of] administer 17 any estate in which the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer is appointed personal repre-18 sentative. An estate administrator appointed under this section is an employee of the [Department 19

20 of State Lands] State Treasurer.

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SECTION 37. ORS 113.238 is amended to read:

22113.238. (1) A person who has knowledge that a decedent died wholly intestate, that the decedent owned property subject to probate in Oregon and that the decedent died without a known 23heir shall give notice of the death within 48 hours after acquiring that knowledge to the [Department 94 of State Lands] State Treasurer. 25

(2) Except as provided by ORS 708A.430 and 723.466, a person may not dispose of or diminish 2627any assets of the estate of a decedent who has died wholly intestate, who owned property subject to probate in Oregon and who died without a known heir unless the person has prior written ap-28proval of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer. The prohibition of this subsection: 29

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(a) Applies to a guardian or conservator for the decedent; and 31 (b) Does not apply to a personal representative appointed under ORS 113.085 (4) or to an affiant

authorized under ORS 114.520 to file an affidavit under ORS 114.515. 32

(3) For purposes of this section, a known heir is an heir who has been identified and found. 33

34 SECTION 38. ORS 113.242 is amended to read:

35113.242. (1) An estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 may take custody of the property of a decedent who died owning prop-36 37 erty subject to probate in Oregon upon the [department] State Treasurer receiving notice that:

38 (a) The decedent died wholly intestate and without a known heir as described in ORS 113.238 (3); or 39

(b) The decedent left a valid will, but no devisee has been identified and found. 40

(2) For any estate described in subsection (1) of this section, an estate administrator of the 41 [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 may: 42

(a) Incur expenses for the funeral of the decedent in a manner suitable to the condition in life 43 of the decedent; 44

(b) Incur expenses for the protection of the property of the estate; 45

1 (c) Incur expenses searching for a will or for heirs or devisees of the decedent;

2 (d) Have access to the property and records of the decedent other than records that are made 3 confidential or privileged by statute;

4 (e) With proof of the death of the decedent, have access to all financial records of accounts or 5 safe deposit boxes of the decedent at banks or other financial institutions; and

6 (f) Sell perishable property of the estate.

7 (3) The reasonable funeral and administrative expenses of the [Department of State Lands] State 8 Treasurer incurred under this section, including a reasonable attorney fee, shall be paid from the 9 assets of the estate with the same priority as funeral and administration expenses under ORS 10 115.125.

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SECTION 39. ORS 114.325 is amended to read:

12 114.325. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, and subject to ORS 113.105, a 13 personal representative has power to sell, mortgage, lease or otherwise deal with property of the 14 estate without notice, hearing or court order.

(2) Exercise of the power of sale by the personal representative is improper, except after notice,
hearing and order of the court, if:

17 (a) The sale is in contravention of the provisions of the will; or

18 (b) The property is specifically devised and the will does not authorize its sale.

(3) Notwithstanding ORS chapters 270, 273 and 274, an estate administrator of the State
 Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 or the Director of Human Services or Director of the
 Oregon Health Authority serving as a personal representative may deal with property of the
 estate as a personal representative under this section.

23 SECTION 40. ORS 114.505 is amended to read:

24 114.505. As used in ORS 114.505 to 114.560:

25 (1) "Affiant" means the person or persons signing an affidavit filed under ORS 114.515.

26 (2) "Claiming successors" means:

(a) If the decedent died intestate, the heir or heirs of the decedent, or if there is no heir, an
estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS
113.235;

30 (b) If the decedent died testate, the devisee or devisees of the decedent; and

(c) Any creditor of the estate entitled to payment or reimbursement from the estate under ORS
114.545 (1)(d) who has not been paid or reimbursed the full amount owed such creditor within 60
days after the date of the decedent's death.

34 (3) "Estate" means decedent's property subject to administration in Oregon.

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**SECTION 41.** ORS 114.520 is amended to read:

114.520. (1) If a decedent dies intestate and without heirs, a creditor of an estate who is a claiming successor may not file an affidavit under ORS 114.515 unless the creditor has received written authorization from an estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235. Except as provided by rule adopted by the [Director of the Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, an estate administrator [shall] may not consent to the filing of an affidavit under ORS 114.515 by a creditor [only if] unless it appears after investigation that the estate is insolvent.

(2) A creditor of an estate who is subject to subsection (1) of this section may give written notice to an estate administrator of the [*Department of State Lands*] State Treasurer informing the
estate administrator that the creditor intends to file an affidavit under ORS 114.515. Upon receiving

1 the notice permitted by this subsection, the estate administrator shall investigate the assets and li-

2 abilities of the estate. Within 30 days after receiving the notice required by this subsection, the es-

3 tate administrator shall either:

4 (a) Give written authorization to the creditor for the filing of an affidavit by the creditor under 5 ORS 114.515; or

6 (b) Inform the creditor that the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer will file an affi-7 davit as claiming successor under ORS 114.515.

8 (3) If a decedent dies intestate and without heirs, a creditor of an estate who is a claiming 9 successor and who files an affidavit under ORS 114.515 must notate at the top of the affidavit that the affidavit is being filed by a creditor of the estate. If the affidavit contains the notation required 10 by this subsection, the clerk of the probate court may not accept the affidavit for filing unless there 11 12 is attached to the affidavit written authorization for the filing of the affidavit by the creditor from 13 an estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer. The written authorization may be a copy of a memorandum of an interagency agreement between the [Department of 14 15 State Lands] State Treasurer and another state agency.

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SECTION 42. ORS 114.535 is amended to read:

17 114.535. (1) Not sooner than 10 days after the filing of an affidavit under ORS 114.515, the affiant 18 may deliver a certified copy of the affidavit to any person who was indebted to the decedent or who 19 has possession of personal property belonging to the estate. Except as provided in this section, upon 20 receipt of the copy, the person shall pay, transfer, deliver, provide access to and allow possession 21 of the personal property to the affiant.

(2) Subject to ORS 114.537, if a copy of an affidavit is delivered under subsection (1) of this
section to a person that controls access to personal property belonging to the estate of the decedent,
including personal property held in a safe deposit box for which the decedent was the sole lessee
or the last surviving lessee, the person shall:

26 (a) Provide the affiant with access to the decedent's personal property; and

27 (b) Allow the affiant to take possession of the personal property.

(3) Subject to ORS 114.537, if a copy of an affidavit is delivered under subsection (1) of this
section to a person who has received property of the decedent under ORS 446.616, 708A.430, 723.466
or 803.094, or a similar statute providing for the transfer of property of an estate that is not being
probated, the person shall pay, transfer, deliver, provide access to or allow possession of the property to the affiant if the person would be required to pay, transfer, deliver, provide access to or allow possession of the proplow possession of the property to a personal representative of the estate.

(4) Any person that pays, transfers, delivers, provides access to or allows possession of property
of a decedent in the manner provided by this section is discharged and released from any liability
or responsibility for the property in the same manner and with the same effect as if the property
had been transferred, delivered or paid to a personal representative of the estate of the decedent.

(5) A transfer agent of any corporate security registered in the name of the decedent shall
change the registered ownership on the books of the corporation to the person entitled thereto on
presentation of a certified copy of the affidavit filed under ORS 114.515.

(6) If a person to whom an affidavit is delivered refuses to pay, deliver, transfer, provide access to or allow possession of any personal property as required by this section, the property may be recovered or payment, delivery, transfer of or access to the property may be compelled upon proof of the transferee's entitlement in a proceeding brought for the purpose by or on behalf of the transferee.

1 (7) If the affidavit was signed by the Director of Human Services, the Director of the Oregon 2 Health Authority or an attorney approved under ORS 114.517, the Director of Human Services, the 3 Director of the Oregon Health Authority or the attorney may certify a copy of the affidavit for the 4 purposes described in this section.

5 (8) Notwithstanding ORS chapters 270, 273 and 274, an estate administrator of the State 6 Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 or the Director of Human Services or Director of the 7 Oregon Health Authority serving as an affiant may deal with property of the estate as an 8 affiant under this section.

# 9 SECTION 43. ORS 116.193 is amended to read:

10 116.193. If it appears to the court, at any time after the expiration of four months after the date 11 of the first publication of notice to interested persons, that there is no known person to take by 12 descent the net intestate estate, the court shall order that the estate escheat to the State of Oregon 13 and that the whole of the estate, after payment of claims, taxes and expenses of administration, be 14 distributed to the [*Department of State Lands*] **State Treasurer**. There shall be no further proceed-15 ing in the administration of the estate, and the estate shall summarily be closed.

16 **SECTION 44.** ORS 116.203 is amended to read:

116.203. If a report filed in the estate proceeding by the personal representative not less than 17 18 30 days after the date of entry of the judgment of distribution shows that payment or delivery of property in the possession of the personal representative or under the control of the personal rep-19 20resentative cannot be made to a distributee entitled thereto, either because the distributee refuses to accept the property or because the distributee cannot be found, the court may direct the personal 2122representative to pay or deliver the property to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, 23to be placed in the escheat funds of the state. The personal representative shall take the receipt of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer stating from whom the property was received, a 24 description of the property and the name of the person entitled to the property. The person entitled 25thereto may apply for and recover the property in the manner provided for recovery of escheat 2627funds.

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# SECTION 45. ORS 116.243 is amended to read:

116.243. A court clerk of any county in which the county court has judicial functions, the clerk of any county court that has jurisdiction over probate matters under ORS 111.075 or a court administrator, upon request, shall furnish to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer the titles of estates of decedents that have remained open for more than three years and in which no heirs, or only persons whose right to inherit the proceeds thereof is being contested, have appeared to claim the estate.

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# SECTION 46. ORS 116.253 is amended to read:

36 116.253. (1) Within 10 years after the death of a decedent whose estate escheated in whole or 37 in part to the state, or within eight years after the entry of a judgment or order escheating property 38 of an estate to the state, a claim may be made for the property escheated, or the proceeds thereof, 39 by or on behalf of a person not having actual knowledge of the escheat or by or on behalf of a 40 person who at the time of the escheat was unable to prove entitlement to the escheated property.

(2) The claim shall be made by a petition filed with the [Director of the Department of State
Lands. The claim is considered a contested case as provided in ORS 183.310 and there is the right of
judicial review as provided in ORS 183.480. The petition] State Treasurer. The petition must include:

45 (a) A declaration by the petitioner under penalty of perjury in the form required by ORCP 1

E[,] or an unsworn declaration under ORS 194.800 to 194.835[,] if the declarant is physically outside
 the boundaries of the United States[, and shall state:];

3 [(a)] (b) The age and place of residence of the claimant by whom or on whose behalf the petition
 4 is filed;

5 (c) A brief description of the property or source of funds believed to have been escheated
6 to the state;

[(b)] (d) That the claimant lawfully is entitled to the property or proceeds[, briefly describing the
property or proceeds];

9 [(c)] (e) That at the time the property escheated to the state the claimant had no knowledge or 10 notice thereof or was unable to prove entitlement to the escheated property and has subsequently 11 acquired new evidence of that entitlement;

[(d)] (f) That the claimant claims the property or proceeds as an heir or devisee or as the personal representative of the estate of an heir or devisee, setting forth [the] any relationship[, if any, of] between the claimant [to] and the decedent who at the time of death [was the owner] owned the escheated property;

[(e)] (g) That 10 years have not elapsed since the death of the decedent[,] or that eight years
have not elapsed since the entry of the judgment or order escheating the property to the state; and
[(f)] (h) If the petition is not filed by the claimant, the status of the petitioner.

(3) If [*it is determined*] **the State Treasurer determines** that the claimant is entitled to the property or the proceeds thereof, the [*Director of the Department of State Lands*] **State Treasurer** shall deliver the property to the petitioner, subject to and charged with any tax on the property and the costs and expenses of the state in connection therewith.

(4) If the person whose property escheated or reverted to the state was at any time a patient of a state institution in Oregon for persons with mental illness or of the Eastern Oregon Training Center, the reasonable unpaid cost of the care and maintenance of the person while a ward of the institution, regardless of when the cost was incurred, may be deducted from, or, if necessary, be offset in full against, the amount of the escheated property. The reasonable unpaid cost of care and maintenance shall be determined in accordance with ORS 179.701.

(5) For the purposes of this section, the death of the decedent is presumed to have occurred on the date shown in the decedent's certified copy of the death record or in any other similar document issued by the jurisdiction in which the death occurred or issued by an agency of the federal government.

(6) A person aggrieved by a determination of the State Treasurer under this section may
 seek a contested case hearing under ORS 183.413 to 183.470.

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# **CONFORMING AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION 47.** ORS 60.674 is amended to read:

39 60.674. Assets of a dissolved corporation that should be distributed to a creditor, claimant or 40 shareholder of the corporation who cannot be found shall be reduced to cash and, within one year 41 after the final distribution in such liquidation or winding up is payable, deposited with the [Depart-42 ment of State Lands] State Treasurer. The receiver or other liquidating agent shall prepare in du-43 plicate and under oath a statement containing the names and last-known addresses of the persons 44 entitled to such funds. One of the statements shall be filed with the [Department of State Lands] 45 State Treasurer with the cash and another shall be delivered to the office for filing. The [owner, 1 heirs or personal representatives of the owner,] person entitled to the distribution may file a claim

2 with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in the manner provided by ORS 98.392 and 3 98.396.

4 SECTION 48. ORS 62.720 is amended to read:

5 62.720. (1) All intangible [*personal*] property distributable in the course of a voluntary or invol-6 untary dissolution of a cooperative that is unclaimed by the owner within two years after the date 7 for final distribution is presumed abandoned. Such property [*shall be*] is subject to the provisions 8 of ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992, except that with respect to agricultural cooperatives, a copy 9 of the report of unclaimed property [*shall be*] filed with the [*Department of State Lands as set forth* 10 *in*] **State Treasurer under** ORS 98.352[. A copy of the report] shall also be filed with Oregon State 11 University.

(2) All unclaimed property specified in the report required by ORS 98.352 shall be **paid or** delivered [within the time specified in ORS 98.362] to the [Department of State Lands which shall assume custody and shall be responsible for the safekeeping thereof.] State Treasurer. Any person that pays or delivers unclaimed property to the State Treasurer under this section is relieved of all liability to the extent of the value of the property paid or delivered for any claim made in respect to the property.

(3) The [department] State Treasurer shall reconcile the report to the delivered funds, deduct the costs as provided for in subsection [(3)] (4) of this section[,] and forward the balance of the funds to Oregon State University within 14 working days of receipt of the funds. [Any person who pays or delivers unclaimed property to the Department of State Lands under this section is relieved of all liability to the extent of the value of the property so paid or delivered for any claim which then exists or which thereafter may arise or be made in respect to the property.]

[(3)] (4) All funds received by Oregon State University under subsection (3) of this section shall be used in such programs related to agricultural research as the university may determine except for:

27 (a) The payment of claims [which] that may be made pursuant to this section; [and]

(b) The payment of expenses of mailing and publication in connection with any unclaimedproperty[,];

30 (c) Reasonable service charges; and

(d) Expenses of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in connection with claims
 made pursuant to ORS 98.392 to 98.402.

[(4)] (5) The provisions of ORS 98.392, 98.396 and [to] 98.402 are applicable to claims against unclaimed property delivered to Oregon State University pursuant to this section. Oregon State University shall pay such claims from funds delivered to it pursuant to this section within 30 days of receipt of a verified copy of a finding and decision of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer made pursuant to ORS 98.396 or a certified copy of a judgment made pursuant to ORS 98.402.

39 [(5)] (6) As used in this section, [an] "agricultural cooperative" [is] means any cooperative in 40 which farmers act together in producing, processing, preparing for market, handling or marketing 41 the agricultural products of such farmers, and any cooperative in which farmers act together in 42 purchasing, testing, grading, processing, distributing and furnishing farm supplies or farm business 43 services.

44 [(6)] (7) The provisions of this section are applicable with respect to the voluntary or involun-45 tary dissolution of any cooperative, [which] **if the** dissolution **was** commenced on or after January 1 1, 1970.

2 **SECTION 49.** ORS 63.674 is amended to read:

3 63.674. Assets of a dissolved limited liability company that should be distributed to a creditor, claimant or member of the limited liability company who cannot be found or who is not competent 4 to receive them shall be reduced to cash and, within six months after the final distribution of such 5 liquidation or winding up is payable, deposited with the [Department of State Lands] State Treas-6 urer. The receiver or other liquidating agent shall prepare in duplicate and under oath a statement 7 containing the names and last-known addresses of the persons entitled to such funds. One of the 8 9 statements shall be filed with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer and another shall be delivered to the office for filing. The funds shall then escheat to and become the property of the 10 State of Oregon and shall become a part of the Common School Fund [of the state]. The [owners, 11 12 heirs or personal representatives of the owner] person entitled to the distribution may reclaim any funds so deposited in the manner provided in ORS 116.253 for estates [which] that have escheated 13 to the state. 14

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**SECTION 50.** ORS 65.674 is amended to read:

16 65.674. Assets of a dissolved corporation [which] that should be transferred to a creditor, claimant or member of the corporation who cannot be found or who is not competent to receive 17 18 them shall be reduced to cash unless they are subject to known trust restrictions and deposited with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer for safekeeping. However, in the discretion of the 19 20 [Director of the Department of State Lands] State Treasurer, property of unusual historic or aesthetic interest may be received and held in kind. The receiver or other liquidating agent shall pre-2122pare in duplicate and under oath a statement containing the names and last-known addresses of the 23persons entitled to such funds. One of the statements shall be filed with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer and another shall be delivered to the Secretary of State for filing. The 24 funds shall then escheat to and become the property of the State of Oregon and shall become part 25of the Common School Fund [of the state]. The [owner, heirs or personal representatives of the 2627owner,] person entitled to the transfer may reclaim any funds so deposited in the manner provided in ORS 116.253 for estates [which] that have escheated to the state. 28

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SECTION 51. ORS 87.691 is amended to read:

87.691. (1) After the time specified in the notice given under ORS 87.689 expires, if the owner determines, based on the owner's previous experience, that the personal property subject to the lien created by ORS 87.687 has a value of \$300 or less, the owner may dispose of the property at the owner's sole discretion.

34 (2) After the time specified in the notice given under ORS 87.689 expires, if the owner determines, based on the owner's previous experience, that the personal property subject to the lien 35created by ORS 87.687 has a value of more than \$300, the owner shall cause an advertisement of the 36 37 sale to be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation 38 in the city or county in which the self-service storage facility is located. If there is no newspaper of general circulation in the city or county, the advertisement must be posted in not fewer than six 39 conspicuous places in the neighborhood in which the self-service storage facility is located. The 40 advertisement must include: 41

42 (a) The address of the self-service storage facility, the number, if any, of the space where the43 personal property is located and the name of the occupant.

44 (b) The time, place and manner of the sale.

45 (3) The sale of the personal property may not take place earlier than 15 days after the first

1 advertisement, publication or posting concerning the sale. The sale must conform to the terms stated

2 in the advertisement published or posted under this section.

3 (4) The owner may conduct the lien sale without obtaining a license and may offer the personal 4 property for sale on a publicly accessible website that regularly offers personal property for auction 5 or sale, but the owner shall complete the sale of the personal property at the self-service storage 6 facility or at a suitable place closest to where the personal property is held or stored.

7 (5)(a) If the owner does not receive any bids at the public sale held under this section, the owner 8 may dispose of the personal property in another manner at the owner's sole discretion. The owner 9 may satisfy the lien created by ORS 87.687 and reasonable expenses associated with the disposition 10 from the proceeds of the disposition but shall hold the balance, if any, for delivery on demand to the 11 occupant. If the occupant does not claim the balance of the proceeds within two years after the date 12 of the disposition, the owner shall presume the balance is abandoned and shall report and deliver 13 the balance **to the State Treasurer** as provided in ORS 98.352.

(b) The owner, an employee of the owner, an affiliate or relative of the owner or an associate
or relative of the employee may not acquire, directly or indirectly, property that is subject to disposal under this section.

(6)(a) If personal property that is subject to the lien is a motor vehicle, watercraft or trailer, the
 owner may have the personal property towed away from the self-service storage facility if:

(A) Rent and other charges for storing the personal property at the self-service storage facility
 remain unpaid for 60 days or more; and

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(B) The owner sends notice as provided in ORS 87.689.

(b) An owner is not liable for damage to personal property that a tower removes from the self service storage facility once the tower takes possession of the personal property.

(c) A tower has a lien on personal property the tower removes from the self-service storage fa cility for reasonable towing and storage charges as provided in ORS 98.812.

(7) Before a sale or other disposition of personal property under this section, the occupant may pay the amount necessary to satisfy the lien and the reasonable expenses incurred under this section and thereby redeem the personal property. Upon receiving payment, the owner shall return the personal property, and thereafter the owner has no liability with respect to the personal property.

(8) After a sale under this section, the owner may satisfy the lien created by ORS 87.687 from
the proceeds of the sale, but shall hold the balance, if any, for delivery on demand to the occupant.
If the occupant does not claim the balance of the proceeds within two years after the date of sale,
the owner shall presume that the balance of the proceeds is abandoned and shall report and deliver
the balance to the State Treasurer as provided in ORS 98.352.

(9) A purchaser in good faith of the personal property sold to satisfy a lien created by ORS
87.687 takes the property free of any rights of persons against whom the lien was valid, even if the
owner does not comply with the requirements of this section and ORS 87.689.

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SECTION 52. ORS 90.425 is amended to read:

39 90.425. (1) As used in this section:

(a) "Current market value" means the amount in cash, as determined by the county assessor,
that could reasonably be expected to be paid for a manufactured dwelling or floating home by an
informed buyer to an informed seller, each acting without compulsion in an arm's-length transaction
occurring on the assessment date for the tax year or on the date of a subsequent reappraisal by the
county assessor.

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(b) "Dispose of the personal property" means that, if reasonably appropriate, the landlord may

1 throw away the property or may give it without consideration to a nonprofit organization or to a

2 person unrelated to the landlord. The landlord may not retain the property for personal use or 3 benefit.

4 (c) "Goods" includes those goods left inside a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or 5 floating home or left upon the rental space outside a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling 6 or floating home, whether the recreational vehicle, dwelling or home is located inside or outside of 7 a facility.

8 (d) "Lienholder" means any lienholder of an abandoned recreational vehicle, manufactured
9 dwelling or floating home, if the lien is of record or the lienholder is actually known to the landlord.
10 (e) "Of record" means:

(A) For a recreational vehicle that is not a manufactured structure as defined in ORS 446.561,
that a security interest has been properly recorded with the Department of Transportation pursuant
to ORS 802.200 (1)(a)(A) and 803.097.

(B) For a manufactured dwelling or recreational vehicle that is a manufactured structure as
defined in ORS 446.561, that a security interest has been properly recorded for the manufactured
dwelling or recreational vehicle in the records of the Department of Consumer and Business Services pursuant to ORS 446.611 or on a certificate of title issued by the Department of Transportation
prior to May 1, 2005.

(C) For a floating home, that a security interest has been properly recorded with the State
Marine Board pursuant to ORS 830.740 to 830.755 for a home registered and titled with the board
pursuant to ORS 830.715.

(f) "Owner" means any owner of an abandoned recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or
 floating home, if different from the tenant and either of record or actually known to the landlord.

(g) "Personal property" means goods, vehicles and recreational vehicles and includes manufactured dwellings and floating homes not located in a facility. "Personal property" does not include manufactured dwellings and floating homes located in a facility and therefore subject to being stored, sold or disposed of as provided under ORS 90.675.

(2) A landlord is responsible for abandoned personal property and shall store, sell or dispose of
abandoned personal property as provided by this section. This section governs the rights and obligations of landlords, tenants and any lienholders or owners in any personal property abandoned or
left upon the premises by the tenant or any lienholder or owner in the following circumstances:

(a) The tenancy has ended by termination or expiration of a rental agreement or by
 relinquishment or abandonment of the premises and the landlord reasonably believes under all the
 circumstances that the tenant has left the personal property upon the premises with no intention
 of asserting any further claim to the premises or to the personal property;

(b) The tenant has been absent from the premises continuously for seven days after termination
 of a tenancy by a court order that has not been executed; or

(c) The landlord receives possession of the premises from the sheriff following restitution pur suant to ORS 105.161.

40 (3) Prior to storing, selling or disposing of the tenant's personal property under this section, the
41 landlord must give a written notice to the tenant that must be:

42 (a) Personally delivered to the tenant; or

43 (b) Sent by first class mail addressed and mailed to the tenant at:

44 (A) The premises;

45 (B) Any post-office box held by the tenant and actually known to the landlord; and

(C) The most recent forwarding address if provided by the tenant or actually known to the 1 2 landlord. (4)(a) In addition to the notice required by subsection (3) of this section, in the case of an 3 abandoned recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home, a landlord shall also give 4 a copy of the notice described in subsection (3) of this section to: 5 (A) Any lienholder of the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home; 6 (B) Any owner of the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home; 7 (C) The tax collector of the county where the manufactured dwelling or floating home is located; 8 9 and (D) The assessor of the county where the manufactured dwelling or floating home is located. 10 (b) The landlord shall give the notice copy required by this subsection by personal delivery or 11 12 first class mail, except that for any lienholder, mail service must be both by first class mail and by 13 certified mail with return receipt requested. (c) A notice to lienholders under paragraph (a)(A) of this subsection must be sent to each 14 15 lienholder at each address: (A) Actually known to the landlord; 16 (B) Of record; and 17 (C) Provided to the landlord by the lienholder in a written notice that identifies the personal 18 property subject to the lien and that was sent to the landlord by certified mail with return receipt 19 requested within the preceding five years. The notice must identify the personal property by de-20scribing the physical address of the property. 2122(5) The notice required under subsection (3) of this section must state that: 23(a) The personal property left upon the premises is considered abandoned; (b) The tenant or any lienholder or owner must contact the landlord by a specified date, as 94 provided in subsection (6) of this section, to arrange for the removal of the abandoned personal 2526property; 27(c) The personal property is stored at a place of safekeeping, except that if the property includes a manufactured dwelling or floating home, the dwelling or home must be stored on the rented space; 28(d) The tenant or any lienholder or owner, except as provided by subsection (18) of this section, 2930 may arrange for removal of the personal property by contacting the landlord at a described tele-31 phone number or address on or before the specified date; 32(e) The landlord shall make the personal property available for removal by the tenant or any lienholder or owner, except as provided by subsection (18) of this section, by appointment at rea-33 34 sonable times; 35(f) If the personal property is considered to be abandoned pursuant to subsection (2)(a) or (b)36 of this section, the landlord may require payment of removal and storage charges, as provided by 37 subsection (7)(d) of this section, prior to releasing the personal property to the tenant or any 38 lienholder or owner; (g) If the personal property is considered to be abandoned pursuant to subsection (2)(c) of this 39 section, the landlord may not require payment of storage charges prior to releasing the personal 40 property; 41 (h) If the tenant or any lienholder or owner fails to contact the landlord by the specified date, 42 or after that contact, fails to remove the personal property within 30 days for recreational vehicles, 43 manufactured dwellings and floating homes or 15 days for all other personal property, the landlord 44

may sell or dispose of the personal property. If the landlord reasonably believes that the personal

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property will be eligible for disposal pursuant to subsection (10)(b) of this section and the landlord 1

2 intends to dispose of the property if the property is not claimed, the notice shall state that belief and intent; and 3

(i) If the personal property includes a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating 4 home and if applicable, there is a lienholder or owner that has a right to claim the recreational  $\mathbf{5}$ vehicle, dwelling or home, except as provided by subsection (18) of this section. 6

 $\mathbf{7}$ (6) For purposes of subsection (5) of this section, the specified date by which a tenant, lienholder or owner must contact a landlord to arrange for the disposition of abandoned personal property is: 8 9 (a) For abandoned recreational vehicles, manufactured dwellings or floating homes, not less than

45 days after personal delivery or mailing of the notice; or 10

(b) For all other abandoned personal property, not less than five days after personal delivery 11 12 or eight days after mailing of the notice.

13 (7) After notifying the tenant as required by subsection (3) of this section, the landlord:

(a) Shall store any abandoned manufactured dwelling or floating home on the rented space and 14 15 shall exercise reasonable care for the dwelling or home;

16 (b) Shall store all other abandoned personal property of the tenant, including goods left inside 17 a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home or left upon the rented space outside 18 a recreational vehicle, dwelling or home, in a place of safekeeping and shall exercise reasonable care for the personal property, except that the landlord may: 19

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(A) Promptly dispose of rotting food; and

(B) Allow an animal control agency to remove any abandoned pets or livestock. If an animal 21 22control agency will not remove the abandoned pets or livestock, the landlord shall exercise reason-23able care for the animals given all the circumstances, including the type and condition of the animals, and may give the animals to an agency that is willing and able to care for the animals, such 24 25as a humane society or similar organization;

(c) Except for manufactured dwellings and floating homes, may store the abandoned personal 2627property at the dwelling unit, move and store it elsewhere on the premises or move and store it at a commercial storage company or other place of safekeeping; and 28

(d) Is entitled to reasonable or actual storage charges and costs incidental to storage or dis-2930 posal, including any cost of removal to a place of storage. In the case of an abandoned manufactured 31 dwelling or floating home, the storage charge may be no greater than the monthly space rent last 32payable by the tenant.

(8) If a tenant, lienholder or owner, upon the receipt of the notice provided by subsection (3) 33 34 or (4) of this section or otherwise, responds by actual notice to the landlord on or before the specified date in the landlord's notice that the tenant, lienholder or owner intends to remove the per-35sonal property from the premises or from the place of safekeeping, the landlord must make that 36 37 personal property available for removal by the tenant, lienholder or owner by appointment at rea-38 sonable times during the 15 days or, in the case of a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home, 30 days following the date of the response, subject to subsection (18) of this sec-39 tion. If the personal property is considered to be abandoned pursuant to subsection (2)(a) or (b) of 40 this section, but not pursuant to subsection (2)(c) of this section, the landlord may require payment 41 of removal and storage charges, as provided in subsection (7)(d) of this section, prior to allowing the 42 tenant, lienholder or owner to remove the personal property. Acceptance by a landlord of such 43 payment does not operate to create or reinstate a tenancy or create a waiver pursuant to ORS 44 90.412 or 90.417. 45

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(9) Except as provided in subsections (18) to (20) of this section, if the tenant, lienholder or

owner of a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home does not respond within the time provided by the landlord's notice, or the tenant, lienholder or owner does not remove the per-

sonal property within the time required by subsection (8) of this section or by any date agreed to 4 with the landlord, whichever is later, the tenant's, lienholder's or owner's personal property is con-5 clusively presumed to be abandoned. The tenant and any lienholder or owner that have been given 6 notice pursuant to subsection (3) or (4) of this section shall, except with regard to the distribution 7 of sale proceeds pursuant to subsection (13) of this section, have no further right, title or interest 8 9 to the personal property and may not claim or sell the property. (10) If the personal property is presumed to be abandoned under subsection (9) of this section, 10 the landlord then may: 11 12 (a) Sell the personal property at a public or private sale, provided that prior to the sale of a 13 recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home: (A) The landlord may seek to transfer ownership of record of the personal property by comply-14 15ing with the requirements of the appropriate state agency; and 16 (B) The landlord shall: 17 (i) Place a notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the recreational 18 vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home is located. The notice shall state: 19 (I) That the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home is abandoned; (II) The tenant's and owner's name, if of record or actually known to the landlord; 20 (III) The address and any space number where the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling 21 22or floating home is located, and any plate, registration or other identification number for a recre-23ational vehicle or floating home noted on the certificate of title, if actually known to the landlord; (IV) Whether the sale is by private bidding or public auction; 24 25(V) Whether the landlord is accepting sealed bids and, if so, the last date on which bids will be 26accepted; and 27(VI) The name and telephone number of the person to contact to inspect the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home; 28(ii) At a reasonable time prior to the sale, give a copy of the notice required by sub-2930 subparagraph (i) of this subparagraph to the tenant and to any lienholder and owner, by personal 31 delivery or first class mail, except that for any lienholder, mail service must be by first class mail with certificate of mailing; 32(iii) Obtain an affidavit of publication from the newspaper to show that the notice required un-33 34 der sub-subparagraph (i) of this subparagraph ran in the newspaper at least one day in each of two 35consecutive weeks prior to the date scheduled for the sale or the last date bids will be accepted; 36 and 37 (iv) Obtain written proof from the county that all property taxes and assessments on the manu-38 factured dwelling or floating home have been paid or, if not paid, that the county has authorized the sale, with the sale proceeds to be distributed pursuant to subsection (13) of this section; 39 (b) Destroy or otherwise dispose of the personal property if the landlord determines that: 40 (A) For a manufactured dwelling or floating home, the current market value of the property is 41 \$8,000 or less as determined by the county assessor; or 42 (B) For all other personal property, the reasonable current fair market value is \$1,000 or less 43 or so low that the cost of storage and conducting a public sale probably exceeds the amount that 44 would be realized from the sale; or 45

(c) Consistent with paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, sell certain items and destroy or 1 2 otherwise dispose of the remaining personal property.

(11)(a) A public or private sale authorized by this section must:

(A) For a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home, be conducted consistent 4 with the terms listed in subsection (10)(a)(B)(i) of this section. Every aspect of the sale including the 5 method, manner, time, place and terms must be commercially reasonable; or 6

(B) For all other personal property, be conducted under the provisions of ORS 79.0610.

(b) If there is no buyer at a sale of a manufactured dwelling or floating home, the personal 8 9 property is considered to be worth \$8,000 or less, regardless of current market value, and the land-10 lord shall destroy or otherwise dispose of the personal property.

(12) Notwithstanding ORS 446.155 (1) and (2), unless a landlord intentionally misrepresents the 11 12 condition of a manufactured dwelling or floating home, the landlord is not liable for the condition 13 of the dwelling or home to:

(a) A buyer of the dwelling or home at a sale pursuant to subsection (10)(a) of this section, with 14 15 or without consideration; or

16 (b) A person or nonprofit organization to whom the landlord gives the dwelling or home pursuant to subsection (1)(b), (10)(b) or (11)(b) of this section. 17

18 (13)(a) The landlord may deduct from the proceeds of the sale:

(A) The reasonable or actual cost of notice, storage and sale; and 19

(B) Unpaid rent. 20

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(b) If the sale was of a manufactured dwelling or floating home, after deducting the amounts 2122listed in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the landlord shall remit the remaining proceeds, if any, to the county tax collector to the extent of any unpaid property taxes and assessments owed on the 2324 dwelling or home.

(c) If the sale was of a recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home, after de-25ducting the amounts listed in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, if applicable, the landlord 2627shall remit the remaining proceeds, if any, to any lienholder to the extent of any unpaid balance owed on the lien on the recreational vehicle, dwelling or home. 28

29(d) After deducting the amounts listed in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of this subsection, if appli-30 cable, the landlord shall remit to the tenant or owner the remaining proceeds, if any, together with 31 an itemized accounting.

32(e) If the tenant or owner cannot after due diligence be found, the landlord shall deposit the remaining proceeds with the county treasurer of the county in which the sale occurred. If not 33 34 claimed within three years, the deposited proceeds revert to the general fund of the county and are 35available for general purposes.

(14) The county tax collector shall cancel all unpaid property taxes and assessments owed on 36 37 a manufactured dwelling or floating home, as provided under ORS 311.790, only under one of the 38 following circumstances:

(a) The landlord disposes of the manufactured dwelling or floating home after a determination 39 described in subsection (10)(b) of this section. 40

(b) There is no buyer of the manufactured dwelling or floating home at a sale described under 41 subsection (11) of this section. 42

(c)(A) There is a buyer of the manufactured dwelling or floating home at a sale described under 43 subsection (11) of this section; 44

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(B) The current market value of the manufactured dwelling or floating home is \$8,000 or less;

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2 (C) The proceeds of the sale are insufficient to satisfy the unpaid property taxes and assessments 3 owed on the dwelling or home after distribution of the proceeds pursuant to subsection (13) of this 4 section.

5 (d)(A) The landlord buys the manufactured dwelling or floating home at a sale described under
6 subsection (11) of this section;

(B) The current market value of the manufactured dwelling or floating home is more than \$8,000;

8 (C) The proceeds of the sale are insufficient to satisfy the unpaid property taxes and assessments 9 owed on the manufactured dwelling or floating home after distribution of the proceeds pursuant to 10 subsection (13) of this section; and

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(D) The landlord disposes of the manufactured dwelling or floating home.

(15) The landlord is not responsible for any loss to the tenant, lienholder or owner resulting from storage of personal property in compliance with this section unless the loss was caused by the landlord's deliberate or negligent act. In the event of a deliberate and malicious violation, the landlord is liable for twice the actual damages sustained by the tenant, lienholder or owner.

(16) Complete compliance in good faith with this section shall constitute a complete defense in any action brought by a tenant, lienholder or owner against a landlord for loss or damage to such personal property disposed of pursuant to this section.

(17) If a landlord does not comply with this section:

(a) The tenant is relieved of any liability for damage to the premises caused by conduct that
was not deliberate, intentional or grossly negligent and for unpaid rent and may recover from the
landlord up to twice the actual damages sustained by the tenant;

(b) A lienholder or owner aggrieved by the noncompliance may recover from the landlord the
actual damages sustained by the lienholder or owner. ORS 90.255 does not authorize an award of
attorney fees to the prevailing party in any action arising under this paragraph; and

(c) A county tax collector aggrieved by the noncompliance may recover from the landlord the actual damages sustained by the tax collector, if the noncompliance is part of an effort by the landlord to defraud the tax collector. ORS 90.255 does not authorize an award of attorney fees to the prevailing party in any action arising under this paragraph.

(18) In the case of an abandoned recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home, the provisions of this section regarding the rights and responsibilities of a tenant to the abandoned vehicle, dwelling or home also apply to any lienholder except that the lienholder may not sell or remove the vehicle, dwelling or home unless:

(a) The lienholder has foreclosed its lien on the recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling orfloating home;

(b) The tenant or a personal representative or designated person described in subsection (20)
of this section has waived all rights under this section pursuant to subsection (26) of this section;
or

(c) The notice and response periods provided by subsections (6) and (8) of this section have ex pired.

(19)(a) In the case of an abandoned manufactured dwelling or floating home but not including a dwelling or home abandoned following a termination pursuant to ORS 90.429 and except as provided by subsection (20)(d) and (e) of this section, if a lienholder makes a timely response to a notice of abandoned personal property pursuant to subsections (6) and (8) of this section and so requests, a landlord shall enter into a written storage agreement with the lienholder providing that the

1 dwelling or home may not be sold or disposed of by the landlord for up to 12 months. A storage 2 agreement entitles the lienholder to store the personal property on the previously rented space 3 during the term of the agreement, but does not entitle anyone to occupy the personal property.

4 (b) The lienholder's right to a storage agreement arises upon the failure of the tenant, owner 5 or, in the case of a deceased tenant, the personal representative, designated person, heir or devisee 6 to remove or sell the dwelling or home within the allotted time.

7 (c) To exercise the right to a storage agreement under this subsection, in addition to contacting the landlord with a timely response as described in paragraph (a) of this subsection, the lienholder 8 9 must enter into the proposed storage agreement within 60 days after the landlord gives a copy of the agreement to the lienholder. The landlord shall give a copy of the proposed storage agreement 10 to the lienholder in the same manner as provided by subsection (4)(b) of this section. The landlord 11 12 may include a copy of the proposed storage agreement with the notice of abandoned property re-13 quired by subsection (4) of this section. A lienholder enters into a storage agreement by signing a copy of the agreement provided by the landlord and personally delivering or mailing the signed copy 14 15 to the landlord within the 60-day period.

(d) The storage agreement may require, in addition to other provisions agreed to by the landlordand the lienholder, that:

(A) The lienholder make timely periodic payment of all storage charges, as described in subsection (7)(d) of this section, accruing from the commencement of the 45-day period described in subsection (6) of this section. A storage charge may include a utility or service charge, as described in ORS 90.532, if limited to charges for electricity, water, sewer service and natural gas and if incidental to the storage of personal property. A storage charge may not be due more frequently than monthly;

(B) The lienholder pay a late charge or fee for failure to pay a storage charge by the date required in the agreement, if the amount of the late charge is no greater than for late charges described in the rental agreement between the landlord and the tenant; and

(C) The lienholder maintain the personal property and the space on which the personal property
is stored in a manner consistent with the rights and obligations described in the rental agreement
between the landlord and the tenant.

30 (e) During the term of an agreement described under this subsection, the lienholder has the right 31 to remove or sell the property, subject to the provisions of the lien. Selling the property includes a 32sale to a purchaser who wishes to leave the dwelling or home on the rented space and become a tenant, subject to any conditions previously agreed to by the landlord and tenant regarding the 33 34 landlord's approval of a purchaser or, if there was no such agreement, any reasonable conditions 35by the landlord regarding approval of any purchaser who wishes to leave the dwelling or home on the rented space and become a tenant. The landlord also may condition approval for occupancy of 36 37 any purchaser of the property upon payment of all unpaid storage charges and maintenance costs.

(f)(A) If the lienholder violates the storage agreement, the landlord may terminate the agreement by giving at least 90 days' written notice to the lienholder stating facts sufficient to notify the lienholder of the reason for the termination. Unless the lienholder corrects the violation within the notice period, the agreement terminates as provided and the landlord may sell or dispose of the dwelling or home without further notice to the lienholder.

(B) After a landlord gives a termination notice pursuant to subparagraph (A) of this paragraph
for failure of the lienholder to pay a storage charge and the lienholder corrects the violation, if the
lienholder again violates the storage agreement by failing to pay a subsequent storage charge, the

1 landlord may terminate the agreement by giving at least 30 days' written notice to the lienholder 2 stating facts sufficient to notify the lienholder of the reason for termination. Unless the lienholder 3 corrects the violation within the notice period, the agreement terminates as provided and the land-4 lord may sell or dispose of the property without further notice to the lienholder.

5 (C) A lienholder may terminate a storage agreement at any time upon at least 14 days' written 6 notice to the landlord and may remove the property from the rented space if the lienholder has paid 7 all storage charges and other charges as provided in the agreement.

8 (g) Upon the failure of a lienholder to enter into a storage agreement as provided by this sub-9 section or upon termination of an agreement, unless the parties otherwise agree or the lienholder 10 has sold or removed the manufactured dwelling or floating home, the landlord may sell or dispose 11 of the property pursuant to this section without further notice to the lienholder.

(20) If the personal property is a manufactured dwelling or floating home and is considered abandoned as a result of the death of a tenant who was the only tenant and who owned the dwelling or home, this section applies, except as follows:

(a) The following persons have the same rights and responsibilities regarding the abandoneddwelling or home as a tenant:

(A) Any personal representative named in a will or appointed by a court to act for the deceasedtenant.

(B) Any person designated in writing by the tenant to be contacted by the landlord in the eventof the tenant's death.

21 (b) The notice required by subsection (3) of this section must be:

22 (A) Sent by first class mail to the deceased tenant at the premises; and

(B) Personally delivered or sent by first class mail to any personal representative or designated
 person, if actually known to the landlord.

(c) The notice described in subsection (5) of this section must refer to any personal representative or designated person, instead of the deceased tenant, and must incorporate the provisions of this subsection.

(d) If a personal representative, designated person or other person entitled to possession of the 28property, such as an heir or devisee, responds by actual notice to a landlord within the 45-day period 2930 provided by subsection (6) of this section and so requests, the landlord shall enter into a written 31 storage agreement with the representative or person providing that the dwelling or home may not be sold or disposed of by the landlord for up to 90 days or until conclusion of any probate pro-32ceedings, whichever is later. A storage agreement entitles the representative or person to store the 33 34 personal property on the previously rented space during the term of the agreement, but does not 35entitle anyone to occupy the personal property. If such an agreement is entered, the landlord may not enter a similar agreement with a lienholder pursuant to subsection (19) of this section until the 36 37 agreement with the personal representative or designated person ends.

(e) If a personal representative or other person requests that a landlord enter into a storage
agreement, subsection (19)(c), (d) and (f)(C) of this section applies, with the representative or person
having the rights and responsibilities of a lienholder with regard to the storage agreement.

(f) During the term of an agreement described under paragraph (d) of this subsection, the representative or person has the right to remove or sell the dwelling or home, including a sale to a purchaser or a transfer to an heir or devisee where the purchaser, heir or devisee wishes to leave the dwelling or home on the rented space and become a tenant, subject to any conditions previously agreed to by the landlord and tenant regarding the landlord's approval for occupancy of a purchaser,

heir or devisee or, if there was no such agreement, any reasonable conditions by the landlord regarding approval for occupancy of any purchaser, heir or devisee who wishes to leave the dwelling or home on the rented space and become a tenant. The landlord also may condition approval for occupancy of any purchaser, heir or devisee of the dwelling or home upon payment of all unpaid storage charges and maintenance costs.

6 (g) If the representative or person violates the storage agreement, the landlord may terminate 7 the agreement by giving at least 30 days' written notice to the representative or person stating facts 8 sufficient to notify the representative or person of the reason for the termination. Unless the rep-9 resentative or person corrects the violation within the notice period, the agreement terminates as 10 provided and the landlord may sell or dispose of the dwelling or home without further notice to the 11 representative or person.

(h) Upon the failure of a representative or person to enter into a storage agreement as provided by this subsection or upon termination of an agreement, unless the parties otherwise agree or the representative or person has sold or removed the manufactured dwelling or floating home, the landlord may sell or dispose of the property pursuant to this section without further notice to the representative or person.

(21) If the personal property is other than a manufactured dwelling or floating home and is considered abandoned as a result of the death of a tenant who was the only tenant and who owned the personal property, this section applies except as follows:

(a) The following persons have the same rights and responsibilities regarding the abandoned
 personal property as a tenant:

(A) An heir or devisee.

(B) Any personal representative named in a will or appointed by a court to act for the deceasedtenant.

(C) Any person designated in writing by the tenant to be contacted by the landlord in the eventof the tenant's death.

27 (b) The notice required by subsection (3) of this section must be:

28 (A) Sent by first class mail to the deceased tenant at the premises;

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(B) Personally delivered or sent by first class mail to any heir, devisee, personal representative
 or designated person, if actually known to the landlord; and

(C) Sent by first class mail to the attention of an estate administrator of the [Department of State
 Lands] State Treasurer.

(c) The notice described in subsection (5) of this section must refer to the heir, devisee, personal
 representative, designated person or estate administrator of the [department] State Treasurer, in stead of the deceased tenant, and must incorporate the provisions of this subsection.

(d) The landlord shall allow a person that is an heir, devisee or personal representative of the
tenant, or an estate administrator of the [department] State Treasurer, to remove the personal
property if the person contacts the landlord within the period provided by subsection (6) of this
section, complies with the requirements of this section and provides the landlord with reasonable
evidence that the person is an heir, devisee or personal representative, or an estate administrator
of the [department] State Treasurer.

(e) If [*neither an*] no heir, devisee [*nor*] or personal representative of the tenant, [*nor an*] or no
estate administrator of the [*department*] State Treasurer, contacts the landlord within the time
period provided by subsection (6) of this section, the landlord shall allow removal of the personal
property by the designated person of the tenant, if the designated person contacts the landlord

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1 within that period and complies with the requirements of this section and provides the landlord with 2 reasonable evidence that the person is the designated person.

3 (f) A landlord who allows removal of personal property under this subsection is not liable to 4 another person that has a claim or interest in the personal property.

5 (22) If a governmental agency determines that the condition of a manufactured dwelling, floating 6 home or recreational vehicle abandoned under this section constitutes an extreme health or safety 7 hazard under state or local law and the agency determines that the hazard endangers others in the 8 immediate vicinity and requires quick removal of the property, the landlord may sell or dispose of 9 the property pursuant to this subsection. The landlord shall comply with all provisions of this sec-10 tion, except as follows:

(a) The date provided in subsection (6) of this section by which a tenant, lienholder, owner, personal representative or designated person must contact a landlord to arrange for the disposition of the property must be not less than 15 days after personal delivery or mailing of the notice required by subsection (3) of this section.

(b) The date provided in subsections (8) and (9) of this section by which a tenant, lienholder, owner, personal representative or designated person must remove the property must be not less than seven days after the tenant, lienholder, owner, personal representative or designated person contacts the landlord.

(c) The notice required by subsection (3) of this section must be as provided in subsection (5)
 of this section, except that:

(A) The dates and deadlines in the notice for contacting the landlord and removing the property
 must be consistent with this subsection;

(B) The notice must state that a governmental agency has determined that the property consti tutes an extreme health or safety hazard and must be removed quickly; and

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(C) The landlord shall attach a copy of the agency's determination to the notice.

(d) If the tenant, a lienholder, owner, personal representative or designated person does not remove the property within the time allowed, the landlord or a buyer at a sale by the landlord under
subsection (11) of this section shall promptly remove the property from the facility.

(e) A landlord is not required to enter into a storage agreement with a lienholder, owner, per sonal representative or designated person pursuant to subsection (19) of this section.

(23)(a) If an official or agency referred to in ORS 453.876 notifies the landlord that the official or agency has determined that all or part of the premises is unfit for use as a result of the presence of an illegal drug manufacturing site involving methamphetamine, and the landlord complies with this subsection, the landlord is not required to comply with subsections (1) to (22) and (24) to (27) of this section with regard to personal property left on the portion of the premises that the official or agency has determined to be unfit for use.

(b) Upon receiving notice from an official or agency determining the premises to be unfit for use, the landlord shall promptly give written notice to the tenant as provided in subsection (3) of this section. The landlord shall also attach a copy of the notice in a secure manner to the main entrance of the dwelling unit. The notice to the tenant shall include a copy of the official's or agency's notice and state:

(A) That the premises, or a portion of the premises, has been determined by an official or agency
to be unfit for use due to contamination from the manufacture of methamphetamine and that as a
result subsections (1) to (22) and (24) to (27) of this section do not apply to personal property left
on any portion of the premises determined to be unfit for use;

(B) That the landlord has hired, or will hire, a contractor to assess the level of contamination 1 2 of the site and to decontaminate the site;

(C) That upon hiring the contractor, the landlord will provide to the tenant the name, address 3 4 and telephone number of the contractor; and

(D) That the tenant may contact the contractor to determine whether any of the tenant's per-5 sonal property may be removed from the premises or may be decontaminated at the tenant's expense 6 7 and then removed.

(c) To the extent consistent with rules of the Department of Human Services, the contractor 8 9 may release personal property to the tenant.

10 (d) If the contractor and the department determine that the premises or the tenant's personal property is not unfit for use, upon notification by the department of the determination, the landlord 11 12 shall comply with subsections (1) to (22) and (24) to (27) of this section for any personal property left 13 on the premises.

(e) Except as provided in paragraph (d) of this subsection, the landlord is not responsible for 14 15 storing or returning any personal property left on the portion of the premises that is unfit for use.

16 (24) In the case of an abandoned recreational vehicle, manufactured dwelling or floating home that is owned by someone other than the tenant, the provisions of this section regarding the rights 17 18 and responsibilities of a tenant to the abandoned vehicle, dwelling or home also apply to that owner, with regard only to the vehicle, dwelling or home, and not to any goods left inside or outside the 19 20 vehicle, dwelling or home.

(25) In the case of an abandoned motor vehicle, the procedure authorized by ORS 98.830 for re-2122moval of abandoned motor vehicles from private property may be used by a landlord as an alterna-23tive to the procedures required in this section.

(26)(a) A landlord may sell or dispose of a tenant's abandoned personal property without com-94 plying with subsections (1) to (25) and (27) of this section if, after termination of the tenancy or no 25more than seven days prior to the termination of the tenancy, the following parties so agree in a 2627writing entered into in good faith:

(A) The landlord; 28

(B) The tenant, or for an abandonment as the result of the death of a tenant who was the only 2930 tenant, the personal representative, designated person or other person entitled to possession of the 31 personal property, such as an heir or devisee, as described in subsection (20) or (21) of this section; 32and

(C) In the case of a manufactured dwelling, floating home or recreational vehicle, any owner and 33 34 any lienholder.

35(b) A landlord may not, as part of a rental agreement, require a tenant, a personal representative, a designated person or any lienholder or owner to waive any right provided by this section. 36

37 (27) Until personal property is conclusively presumed to be abandoned under subsection (9) of this section, a landlord does not have a lien pursuant to ORS 87.152 for storing the personal prop-38 erty. 39

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SECTION 53. ORS 97.170 is amended to read:

97.170. (1) As used in this section, "indigent person" means a deceased person who does not have 41 a death or final expense benefit or insurance policy that pays for disposition of the deceased 42 person's body or other means to pay for disposition of the deceased person's body and: 43

(a) Who does not have a relative or other person with the legal right to direct and the means 44 to pay for disposition of the deceased person's body; 45

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1 (b) Whose relative, or other person, with the legal right to direct the disposition of the deceased 2 person's body does not pay or arrange to pay for, or refuses to direct, the disposition of the deceased 3 person's body within 10 days of being notified of the death; or

4 (c) For whom no person other than a person described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this subsection 5 wishes to direct and pay for the disposition of the deceased person's body.

6 (2) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board shall maintain a list of institutions that may accept 7 or process bodies for education or research purposes.

8 (3)(a) A funeral establishment licensed under ORS 692.146 that takes custody of the unclaimed
9 body of a deceased person shall, within five days after taking custody of the body:

10 (A) Submit a report of death under ORS 432.133;

(B) Obtain all contact information known to the medical examiner, a health care facility or law
 enforcement regarding persons listed in ORS 97.130;

13 (C) Attempt to locate and notify the persons listed in ORS 97.130;

(D) Arrange with any person listed in ORS 97.130 who will pay the expenses to make disposition
 of the body;

(E) If no person listed in ORS 97.130 can be located to pay the expenses to make disposition of
the body, arrange with a person or institution not listed in ORS 97.130 that will pay the expenses
to make disposition of the body;

(F) Determine whether the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer or other person is appointed as the personal representative of the deceased person pursuant to ORS 113.085; and

(G) Contact the Department of Veterans' Affairs to determine whether the decedent is eligiblefor any state or federal benefits.

(b) If no one claims the body within 10 days after the funeral establishment takes custody of the body, or if the persons notified acquiesce, or if the decedent is not eligible for any benefits described in paragraph (a)(G) of this subsection, the funeral establishment may transfer the body to an institution on the list of institutions described in subsection (2) of this section that desires the body for education or research purposes.

(c) If no person or institution claims the body as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this subsection, the funeral establishment may cremate or bury the body without the consent of persons listed in ORS 97.130 and is indemnified from any liability arising from having made such disposition. The method of disposition must be in the least costly and most environmentally sound manner that complies with law, and that does not conflict with known wishes of the deceased. If the deceased person is an indigent person, the board shall reimburse the funeral establishment for the costs of disposition under subsection (5) of this section.

35(4) If the deceased person is a child over whom the Department of Human Services held guardianship at the time of death, the department shall promptly attempt to locate and notify the 36 37 relatives of the deceased child or any other person who has an interest in the deceased child and 38 shall arrange with any person who will pay the expenses to make disposition of the body. If no relatives or interested persons claim the body, the department may transfer the body to an institu-39 tion that is on the list maintained by the board under subsection (2) of this section that desires the 40 body for education or research purposes, or may authorize burial or cremation of the body. The 41 department shall pay expenses related to burial or cremation authorized by the department under 42 43 this subsection.

44 (5) Upon receipt of a qualifying statement as required by the board by rule that the deceased 45 person is an indigent person, the board shall reimburse a funeral establishment the reasonable costs

1 for disposition of the body of any unclaimed deceased indigent person. The method of disposition

2 must be in the least costly and most environmentally sound manner that complies with law. The

3 board shall adopt rules establishing the requirements and process for reimbursement and setting the

4 amount that may be reimbursed to a funeral establishment under this subsection.

SECTION 54. ORS 98.050 is amended to read:

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6 98.050. (1) The [administrator] **State Treasurer** may compile information or data [in the pos-7 session of the Department of State Lands] into finder's reports at the request of any person to assist 8 in finding the owners of abandoned or unclaimed property.

9 (2) The [administrator] **State Treasurer** shall adopt by rule a fee **charged** for copies of finder's 10 reports[. *The fee charged shall be*] **that is** commensurate with preparation costs including pro-11 duction, duplication and staff time involved.

12 [(3) Any person requesting a copy of a finder's report shall be charged the fee.]

13 [(4) As used in subsections (1) to (3) of this section:]

14 [(a) "Administrator" has the same meaning as given by ORS 98.302.]

15 [(b) "Person" includes any natural person, corporation, partnership, firm or association.]

16 [(c) "Finder's report" means any report prepared by the administrator for the benefit of any person 17 to assist in finding the owners of abandoned or unclaimed property.]

18 SECTION 55. ORS 146.125 is amended to read:

19 146.125. (1) The medical examiner, medical-legal death investigator, district attorney or sheriff 20 may temporarily retain possession of any property found on the body or in the possession of the 21 deceased [*which*] **that** in the opinion of the medical examiner, medical-legal death investigator, dis-22 trict attorney or sheriff may be useful in establishing the cause or manner of death or may be used 23 in further proceedings.

(2) When a medical examiner, medical-legal death investigator, district attorney or sheriff assumes control or custody of money or personal property found on the body or in the possession of
the deceased, the medical examiner, medical-legal death investigator, district attorney or sheriff
shall:

28 (a) Make a verified inventory of such money or property.

29 (b) File the inventory in the district medical examiner's office.

30 (c) Deposit the money with the county treasurer to the credit of the county general fund.

(3) If personal property is not retained by the medical examiner, medical-legal death investi gator, district attorney or sheriff, and is not claimed within 30 days, the inventory shall be filed with
 the board of county commissioners to be disposed of as follows:

(a) If the property has value, the board may order it sold and after deducting the cost of sale,
shall deposit the proceeds of the sale with the county treasurer to the credit of the county general
fund.

(b) If the property has no value in the judgment of the board, the board may order the sheriffto destroy such property.

(4) Any expenses incurred by the county in transporting or disposing of the body may be deducted from the money or proceeds of the sale of personal property before it is delivered to a
claimant.

(5) If it appears that the person whose death required investigation died wholly intestate and
without heirs, the county whose official has control or custody of the property shall notify an estate
administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235
within 15 days after the death.

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1	(6) If a legally qualified personal representative, spouse, [or] next of kin or estate adminis-
2	trator of the State Treasurer:
3	(a) Claims the money of the deceased, the <b>county</b> treasurer shall, subject to the provisions of
4	subsection (4) of this section, deliver such money to the claimant.
5	(b) Within 30 days, claims the personal property of the deceased, the property shall be delivered
6	to such claimant subject to the provisions of subsections (1) and (5) of this section.
7	(7) If money of the deceased is not claimed within seven years, [and] the money is presumed
8	abandoned as provided by ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992[,] and the board of county commissioners
9	shall order the county treasurer to deliver and report the money [paid] to the State Treasurer
10	as required by [law] ORS 98.352.
11	SECTION 56. ORS 183.635 is amended to read:
12	183.635. (1) Except as provided in this section, all agencies must use administrative law judges
13	assigned from the Office of Administrative Hearings established under ORS 183.605 to conduct con-
14	tested case hearings, without regard to whether those hearings are subject to the procedural re-
15	quirements for contested case hearings.
16	(2) The following agencies need not use administrative law judges assigned from the office:
17	(a) Attorney General.
18	(b) Boards of stewards appointed by the Oregon Racing Commission.
19	(c) Bureau of Labor and Industries and the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries.
20	(d) Department of Corrections.
21	(e) Department of Education, State Board of Education and Superintendent of Public Instruction.
22	(f) Department of Human Services for vocational rehabilitation services cases under 29 U.S.C.
23	722(c) and disability determination cases under 42 U.S.C. 405.
24	(g) Department of Revenue.
25	(h) Department of State Police.
26	(i) Employment Appeals Board.
27	(j) Employment Relations Board.
28	(k) Energy Facility Siting Council.
29	(L) Fair Dismissal Appeals Board.
30	(m) Governor.
31	(n) Land Conservation and Development Commission.
32	(o) Land Use Board of Appeals.
33	<ul> <li>(p) Local government boundary commissions created pursuant to ORS 199.430.</li> <li>(c) Bublic universities listed in ORS 252,002</li> </ul>
34 97	(q) Public universities listed in ORS 352.002.
35	(r) Oregon Youth Authority.
36 27	<ul><li>(s) Psychiatric Security Review Board.</li><li>(t) Public Utility Commission.</li></ul>
37	(u) State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation.
38 20	(u) State Accident Insurance Fund Corporation. (v) State Apprenticeship and Training Council.
39 40	(w) State Board of Parole and Post-Prison Supervision.
40	(w) State Board of Farole and Fost-Frison Supervision. (x) State Land Board.
41 42	(x) State Land Board. (y) State Treasurer, except the State Treasurer shall use an administrative law judge for
42 43	contested cases involving claims arising under ORS 98.302 to 98.436, 98.992 or 116.253 or any
40 44	other claim to escheated or unclaimed property.
44 45	(3) The Workers' Compensation Board is exempt from using administrative law judges assigned
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from the office for any hearing conducted by the board under ORS chapters 147, 654 and 656. Except 1

as specifically provided in this subsection, the Department of Consumer and Business Services must 2

use administrative law judges assigned from the office only for contested cases arising out of the 3

department's powers and duties under: 4

 $\mathbf{5}$ (a) ORS 86A.095 to 86A.198, 86A.990 and 86A.992 and ORS chapter 59;

(b) ORS chapter 455; 6

(c) ORS chapter 674; 7

(d) ORS chapters 706 to 716; 8

9 (e) ORS chapter 717;

(f) ORS chapters 723, 725 and 726; and 10

(g) ORS chapters 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 737, 742, 743, 743A, 743B, 744, 746, 748 and 750. 11

12 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in any proceeding in which an agency is re-13 quired to use an administrative law judge assigned from the office, an officer or employee of the agency may not conduct the hearing on behalf of the agency. 14

15 (5) Notwithstanding any other provision of ORS 183.605 to 183.690, an agency is not required to use an administrative law judge assigned from the office if: 16

17 (a) Federal law requires that a different administrative law judge or hearing officer be used; or

18 (b) Use of an administrative law judge from the office could result in a loss of federal funds.

(6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the Department of Environmental 19 Quality must use administrative law judges assigned from the office only for contested case hearings 20conducted under the provisions of ORS 183.413 to 183.470. 21

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SECTION 57. ORS 273.125 is amended to read:

23273.125. Whenever it appears to the Department of State Lands that any moneys have been erroneously paid to it, the department may make an appropriate refund, or may deliver the moneys 24 to the State Treasurer if the moneys appear to have been misdelivered to the department 25and to be unclaimed property described under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 or escheated funds, in-2627cluding those described under ORS 116.203, 652.405, 708A.430 or 723.466.

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SECTION 58. ORS 273.141 is amended to read:

273.141. In order to provide the Department of State Lands with the specialized assistance nec-2930 essary to its operations and the transaction of its business, and in addition to other agreements that 31 may be entered into under ORS 273.135, the department may enter into written agreements with the 32state agencies designated in this section for the operation of programs and activities assigned to the department. Subject to final review and approval by the State Land Board: 33

34 (1) The State Forestry Department may perform the functions assigned by the board that relate 35to forest resources.

(2) The State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries may perform the functions of the 36 37 Department of State Lands that relate to mineral resources.

38 (3) The Department of Veterans' Affairs may perform the functions of the Department of State Lands that relate to investment of funds in mortgages secured by real property. 39

[(4) The State Treasurer may perform the functions of the Department of State Lands that relate 40 to investments of funds administered by the Department of State Lands not described in subsection (3) 41 of this section, and that relate to escheated property.] 42

(4) The Oregon Investment Council and the State Treasurer shall invest the funds ad-43 ministered by the Department of State Lands as provided under ORS 293.701 to 293.857. 44

(5) The State Department of Agriculture may perform the functions assigned by the board and 45

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the functions pertaining to management and regulation of grazing land and other agricultural lands. 1 2 SECTION 59. ORS 273.183 is amended to read: 3 273.183. For the purpose of requesting a state or nationwide criminal records check under ORS 181A.195, the Department of State Lands may require the fingerprints of a person who: 4  $\mathbf{5}$ (1)(a) Is employed or applying for employment by the department; or (b) Provides services or seeks to provide services to the department as a contractor or volun-6 7 teer; and (2) Is, or will be, working or providing services in a position: 8 9 (a) In which the person has direct access to persons under 18 years of age, elderly persons or 10 persons with disabilities; (b) In which the person is providing information technology services and has control over, or 11 12access to, information technology systems that would allow the person to harm the information 13 technology systems or the information contained in the systems; (c) In which the person has access to information, the disclosure of which is prohibited by state 14 15 or federal laws, rules or regulations or information that is defined as confidential under state or federal laws, rules or regulations; 16 17 (d) That has payroll functions or in which the person has responsibility for receiving, receipting 18 or depositing money or negotiable instruments, for billing, collections or other financial transactions or for purchasing or selling property or has access to property held in trust or to private property 19 in the temporary custody of the state; 20[(e) In which the person has responsibility for auditing unclaimed property;] 2122[(f)] (e) In which the person has access to personal information about employees or members of the public including Social Security numbers, dates of birth, driver license numbers, personal finan-23cial information or criminal background information; 24 [(g)] (f) In which the person has access to tax or financial information of individuals or business 25entities; 2627[(h)] (g) That involves the use, possession, issuance, transport, purchase, sale or forfeiture of firearms or munitions, access to firearms or munitions or the training of others in the use or han-2829dling of firearms; or 30 [(i)] (h) In which the person provides security, design or construction services for government 31 buildings, grounds or facilities. SECTION 60. ORS 287A.474 is amended to read: 32287A.474. (1) The county fiscal officer shall prepare a report of all warrants and checks issued 33 34 more than two years prior to July 1 of that year [which] that have not been paid, pursuant to ORS 98.352. 35(2) The lawful owner of any warrant or check included in any list referred to in subsection (1) 36 37 of this section, not presented to the county treasurer for payment and not paid, thereafter may file a claim with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in the manner provided by ORS 38 98.392 and 98.396. 39 SECTION 61. ORS 293.450 is amended to read: 40 293.450. (1) Before October 1 of each year, [the] an agency that maintains an account pursuant 41 to ORS 293.445 shall prepare a report pursuant to ORS 98.352 of all checks or orders drawn by it 42 that have been outstanding for a period of more than two years prior to July 1, and that have not 43

44 been paid by the State Treasurer.

45 (2) The report shall not include checks or orders that have already been paid pursuant to

1 indemnity bonds.

2 (3) The agency shall forward the report to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer before November 1. 3 (4) The [Department of State Lands shall] State Treasurer may not require the Department of 4 Revenue to remit funds being held by the department [of Revenue] prior to January 1, 1994. 5 SECTION 62. ORS 293.455 is amended to read: 6 293.455. (1) After October 1, the State Treasurer may refuse payment of the unpresented checks 7 or orders included in the report referred to in ORS 293.450. [In accordance with procedures developed 8 9 by the Department of State Lands and approved by the State Treasurer, the agency shall instruct the State Treasurer to do the following] The State Treasurer shall: 10 (a) Transfer and credit the amounts of the unpresented checks or orders dedicated for general 11 12 funding to the General Fund. 13 (b) Transfer all other funds to the [Department of State Lands for deposit in the] Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund within the Common School Fund Account. 14 15 (c) Transfer and credit the amounts of the unpresented checks issued under ORS chapters 316 and 317 to the [Department of State Lands for deposit in the] Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund 16 within the Common School Fund Account. 17 18 (2) In each instance, the State Treasurer shall issue an official receipt for the amount so transferred or credited. 19 [(3) If the State Treasurer pays the owner of an unpresented check or order included in the report 20referred to in ORS 293.450 before the funds are transferred to the Department of State Lands, this in-2122formation shall be reported to the Department of State Lands.] 23SECTION 63. ORS 293.460 is amended to read: 293.460. The lawful owner of any check or order included in the report referred to in ORS 94 293.450[, not presented to the State Treasurer for payment] and not paid[, thereafter] may file a claim 25with the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer in the manner provided by ORS 98.392 and 262798.396. SECTION 64. ORS 293.701 is amended to read: 28293.701. As used in ORS 293.701 to 293.857, unless the context requires otherwise: 2930 (1) "Council" means the Oregon Investment Council. 31 (2) "Investment funds" means: (a) Public Employees Retirement Fund referred to in ORS 238.660; 32(b) Industrial Accident Fund referred to in ORS 656.632; 33 (c) Consumer and Business Services Fund referred to in ORS 705.145; 34 (d) Employment Department Special Administrative Fund referred to in ORS 657.822; 35 (e) Insurance Fund referred to in ORS 278.425; 36 37 (f) Funds under the control and administration of the Department of State Lands; (g) Oregon Student Assistance Fund referred to in ORS 348.570; 38 (h) Moneys made available to the Commission for the Blind under ORS 346.270 and 346.569 or 39 rules adopted thereunder; 40 (i) Forest Development Revenue Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.147 and State Forestry 41 General Obligation Bond Fund referred to in ORS 530.280; 42 (j) Oregon War Veterans' Fund referred to in ORS 407.495; 43 (k) Oregon War Veterans' Bond Sinking Account referred to in ORS 407.515; 44

45 (L) World War II Veterans' Compensation Fund;

(m) World War II Veterans' Bond Sinking Fund; 1 2 (n) Funds in the hands of the State Treasurer that are not required to meet current demands and that are invested in the Oregon Short Term Fund established under ORS 293.728 or in another 3 4 commingled investment vehicle; (o) State funds that are not subject to the control and administration of officers or bodies spe-5 cifically designated by law; 6 (p) Funds derived from the sale of state bonds; 7 (q) Social Security Revolving Account referred to in ORS 237.490; 8 9 (r) Public University Fund established by ORS 352.450; (s) Local Government Employer Benefit Trust Fund referred to in ORS 657.513; 10 (t) Elderly and Disabled Special Transportation Fund established by ORS 391.800; 11 12 (u) Education Stability Fund established by ORS 348.696; 13 (v) Deferred Compensation Fund established under ORS 243.411; (w) Trust for Cultural Development Account established under ORS 359.405; [and] 14 (x) The State Library Donation Fund and the Talking Book and Braille Library Endowment 15 Fund subaccount established under ORS 357.195[.]; 16 (y) Funds in the Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund created in ORS 98.388; and 17 18 (z) Funds in the Common School Fund that are available for investment. (3) "Investment officer" means the State Treasurer in the capacity as investment officer for the 19 council. 20SECTION 65. ORS 314.840 is amended to read: 2122314.840. (1) The Department of Revenue may: 23(a) Furnish any taxpayer, representative authorized to represent the taxpayer under ORS 305.230 or person designated by the taxpayer under ORS 305.193, upon request of the taxpayer, represen-94 tative or designee, with a copy of the taxpayer's income tax return filed with the department for 25any year, or with a copy of any report filed by the taxpayer in connection with the return, or with 2627any other information the department considers necessary. (b) Publish lists of taxpayers who are entitled to unclaimed tax refunds. 28(c) Publish statistics so classified as to prevent the identification of income or any particulars 2930 contained in any report or return. 31 (d) Disclose a taxpayer's name, address, telephone number, refund amount, amount due, Social Security number, employer identification number or other taxpayer identification number to the ex-32tent necessary in connection with collection activities or the processing and mailing of correspond-33 34 ence or of forms for any report or return required in the administration of any local tax under ORS 35305.620 or any law imposing a tax upon or measured by net income. (2) The department also may disclose and give access to information described in ORS 314.835 36 37 to: 38 (a) The Governor of the State of Oregon or the authorized representative of the Governor with respect to an individual who is designated as being under consideration for appointment or reap-39 pointment to an office or for employment in the office of the Governor. The information disclosed 40 shall be confined to whether the individual: 41 (A) Has filed returns with respect to the taxes imposed by ORS chapter 316 for those of not 42 more than the three immediately preceding years for which the individual was required to file an 43 Oregon individual income tax return. 44 (B) Has failed to pay any tax within 30 days from the date of mailing of a deficiency notice or 45

1 otherwise respond to a deficiency notice within 30 days of its mailing.

2 (C) Has been assessed any penalty under the Oregon personal income tax laws and the nature 3 of the penalty.

4 (D) Has been or is under investigation for possible criminal offenses under the Oregon personal 5 income tax laws. Information disclosed pursuant to this paragraph shall be used only for the purpose 6 of making the appointment, reappointment or decision to employ or not to employ the individual in 7 the office of the Governor.

8 (b) An officer or employee of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services duly authorized 9 or employed to prepare revenue estimates, or a person contracting with the Oregon Department of Administrative Services to prepare revenue estimates, in the preparation of revenue estimates re-10 quired for the Governor's budget under ORS 291.201 to 291.224, or required for submission to the 11 12 Emergency Board or the Joint Interim Committee on Ways and Means, or if the Legislative As-13 sembly is in session, to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, and to the Legislative Revenue Officer or Legislative Fiscal Officer under ORS 291.342, 291.348 and 291.445. The Department of 14 15 Revenue shall disclose and give access to the information described in ORS 314.835 for the purposes 16 of this paragraph only if:

(A) The request for information is made in writing, specifies the purposes for which the request
is made and is signed by an authorized representative of the Oregon Department of Administrative
Services. The form for request for information shall be prescribed by the Oregon Department of
Administrative Services and approved by the Director of the Department of Revenue.

(B) The officer, employee or person receiving the information does not remove from the premises
 of the Department of Revenue any materials that would reveal the identity of a personal or corporate taxpayer.

(c) The Commissioner of Internal Revenue or authorized representative, for tax administrationand compliance purposes only.

(d) For tax administration and compliance purposes, the proper officer or authorized representative of any of the following entities that has or is governed by a provision of law that meets the requirements of any applicable provision of the Internal Revenue Code as to confidentiality:

29 (A) A state;

30 (B) A city, county or other political subdivision of a state;

31 (C) The District of Columbia; or

32 (D) An association established exclusively to provide services to federal, state or local taxing
 33 authorities.

(e) The Multistate Tax Commission or its authorized representatives, for tax administration and
compliance purposes only. The Multistate Tax Commission may make the information available to
the Commissioner of Internal Revenue or the proper officer or authorized representative of any
governmental entity described in and meeting the qualifications of paragraph (d) of this subsection.
(f) The Attorney General, assistants and employees in the Department of Justice, or other legal

(f) The Attorney General, assistants and employees in the Department of Justice, or other legal representative of the State of Oregon, to the extent the department deems disclosure or access necessary for the performance of the duties of advising or representing the department pursuant to ORS 180.010 to 180.240 and the tax laws of the state.

(g) Employees of the State of Oregon, other than of the Department of Revenue or Department of Justice, to the extent the department deems disclosure or access necessary for such employees to perform their duties under contracts or agreements between the department and any other department, agency or subdivision of the State of Oregon, in the department's administration of the 1 tax laws.

2 (h) Other persons, partnerships, corporations and other legal entities, and their employees, to 3 the extent the department deems disclosure or access necessary for the performance of such others' 4 duties under contracts or agreements between the department and such legal entities, in the 5 department's administration of the tax laws.

6 (i) The Legislative Revenue Officer or authorized representatives upon compliance with ORS 7 173.850. Such officer or representative shall not remove from the premises of the department any 8 materials that would reveal the identity of any taxpayer or any other person.

9 (j) The Department of Consumer and Business Services, to the extent the department requires 10 such information to determine whether it is appropriate to adjust those workers' compensation 11 benefits the amount of which is based pursuant to ORS chapter 656 on the amount of wages or 12 earned income received by an individual.

13 (k) Any agency of the State of Oregon, or any person, or any officer or employee of such agency or person to whom disclosure or access is given by state law and not otherwise referred to in this 14 15 section, including but not limited to the Secretary of State as Auditor of Public Accounts under Article VI, section 2, of the Oregon Constitution; the Department of Human Services pursuant to 16 ORS 412.094; the Division of Child Support of the Department of Justice and district attorney re-17 18 garding cases for which they are providing support enforcement services under ORS 25.080; the 19 State Board of Tax Practitioners, pursuant to ORS 673.710; and the Oregon Board of Accountancy, 20 pursuant to ORS 673.415.

(L) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to determine that a
 person complies with ORS chapter 656 and the Director of the Employment Department to determine
 that a person complies with ORS chapter 657, the following employer information:

24 (A) Identification numbers.

- 25 (B) Names and addresses.
- 26 (C) Inception date as employer.
- 27 (D) Nature of business.

28 (E) Entity changes.

29 (F) Date of last payroll.

(m) The Director of the Oregon Health Authority to determine that a person has the ability to
pay for care that includes services provided by the Oregon State Hospital, or the Oregon Health
Authority to collect any unpaid cost of care as provided by ORS chapter 179.

(n) Employees of the Employment Department to the extent the Department of Revenue deems
 disclosure or access to information on a combined tax report filed under ORS 316.168 is necessary
 to performance of their duties in administering the tax imposed by ORS chapter 657.

(o) The State Fire Marshal to assist the State Fire Marshal in carrying out duties, functions and
 powers under ORS 453.307 to 453.414, the employer or agent name, address, telephone number and
 standard industrial classification, if available.

[(p) Employees of the Department of State Lands for the purposes of identifying, locating and
publishing lists of taxpayers entitled to unclaimed refunds as required by the provisions of chapter 694,
Oregon Laws 1993. The information shall be limited to the taxpayer's name, address and the refund
amount.]

(p) Employees of the Department of State Lands or State Treasurer for the purposes of
 returning unclaimed property and identifying, locating and publishing lists of taxpayers en titled to unclaimed refunds under ORS 98.302 to 98.436.

1 (q) In addition to the disclosure allowed under ORS 305.225, state or local law enforcement 2 agencies to assist in the investigation or prosecution of the following criminal activities:

3 (A) Mail theft of a check, in which case the information that may be disclosed shall be limited 4 to the stolen document, the name, address and taxpayer identification number of the payee, the 5 amount of the check and the date printed on the check.

6 (B) The counterfeiting, forging or altering of a check submitted by a taxpayer to the Department 7 of Revenue or issued by the Department of Revenue to a taxpayer, in which case the information 8 that may be disclosed shall be limited to the counterfeit, forged or altered document, the name, ad-9 dress and taxpayer identification number of the payee, the amount of the check, the date printed 10 on the check and the altered name and address.

(r) The United States Postal Inspection Service or a federal law enforcement agency, including
 but not limited to the United States Department of Justice, to assist in the investigation of the fol lowing criminal activities:

(A) Mail theft of a check, in which case the information that may be disclosed shall be limited
to the stolen document, the name, address and taxpayer identification number of the payee, the
amount of the check and the date printed on the check.

17 (B) The counterfeiting, forging or altering of a check submitted by a taxpayer to the Department 18 of Revenue or issued by the Department of Revenue to a taxpayer, in which case the information 19 that may be disclosed shall be limited to the counterfeit, forged or altered document, the name, ad-20 dress and taxpayer identification number of the payee, the amount of the check, the date printed 21 on the check and the altered name and address.

(s) The United States Financial Management Service, for purposes of facilitating the offsets de scribed in ORS 305.612.

(t) A municipal corporation of this state for purposes of assisting the municipal corporation in the administration of a tax of the municipal corporation that is imposed on or measured by income, wages or net earnings from self-employment. Any disclosure under this paragraph may be made only pursuant to a written agreement between the Department of Revenue and the municipal corporation that ensures the confidentiality of the information disclosed.

(u) A consumer reporting agency, to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes of ORS
 314.843.

(v) The Public Employees Retirement Board, to the extent necessary to carry out the purposes
of ORS 238.372 to 238.384, and to any public employer, to the extent necessary to carry out the
purposes of ORS 237.635 (3) and 237.637 (2).

(w) The Secretary of State for the purpose of initiating or supporting a recommendation under
ORS 60.032 (3) or 63.032 (3) to administratively dissolve a corporation or limited liability company
that the Director of the Department of Revenue determines has failed to comply with applicable tax
laws of the state.

38 (3)(a) Each officer or employee of the department and each person described or referred to in subsection (2)(a), (b), (f) to (L), (n) to (q) or (w) of this section to whom disclosure or access to the 39 tax information is given under subsection (2) of this section or any other provision of state law, 40 prior to beginning employment or the performance of duties involving such disclosure or access, 41 shall be advised in writing of the provisions of ORS 314.835 and 314.991, relating to penalties for the 42 violation of ORS 314.835, and shall as a condition of employment or performance of duties execute 43 a certificate for the department, in a form prescribed by the department, stating in substance that 44 the person has read these provisions of law, that the person has had them explained and that the 45

1 person is aware of the penalties for the violation of ORS 314.835.

2 (b) The disclosure authorized in subsection (2)(r) of this section shall be made only after a 3 written agreement has been entered into between the Department of Revenue and the person de-4 scribed in subsection (2)(r) of this section to whom disclosure or access to the tax information is 5 given, providing that:

6 (A) Any information described in ORS 314.835 that is received by the person pursuant to sub-7 section (2)(r) of this section is confidential information that may not be disclosed, except to the ex-8 tent necessary to investigate or prosecute the criminal activities described in subsection (2)(r) of 9 this section;

(B) The information shall be protected as confidential under applicable federal and state laws;and

12 (C) The United States Postal Inspection Service or the federal law enforcement agency shall 13 give notice to the Department of Revenue of any request received under the federal Freedom of In-14 formation Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, or other federal law relating to the disclosure of information.

(4) The Department of Revenue may recover the costs of furnishing the information described
 in subsection (2)(L), (m) and (o) to (q) of this section from the respective agencies.

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**SECTION 66.** ORS 327.405 is amended to read:

18 327.405. (1) The Common School Fund shall be composed of the proceeds from the sales of the 16th and 36th sections of every township or of any lands selected in lieu thereof; all the moneys and 19 clear proceeds of all property that may accrue to the state by escheat or forfeiture; the proceeds 20of all gifts, devises and bequests made by any person to the state for common school purposes; the 2122proceeds of all property granted to the state when the purpose of such grant is not stated; all pro-23ceeds of the sale of submerged and submersible lands as described in ORS 274.005; all proceeds of the sale of the South Slough National Estuarine Research Reserve as described in ORS 273.553 in 24 the event such property is sold; all proceeds of the sale of the 500,000 acres of land to which this 25state is entitled by an Act of Congress approved September 4, 1841, and of all lands selected for 2627capitol building purposes under Act of Congress approved February 14, 1859; and all proceeds derived from the investment of moneys that compose the fund. All such proceeds shall become a part 28of the fund. Except as otherwise provided by law, the income from the fund shall be applied exclu-2930 sively to the support and maintenance of common schools in each school district.

(2) The State Treasurer shall audit all lawful claims for repayment of moneys under [the
provisions of] ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992, or out of escheated estates and [for] funds, including
attorney fees and all other expenses in any suit or proceeding relating to escheated estates [shall
be audited by the Department of State Lands] and [paid] shall pay each lawful claim from the
Common School Fund Account.

# 36 **SECTION 67.** ORS 652.405 is amended to read:

652.405. (1) The Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries shall attempt for a period
of not less than three years to make payment of wages collected under ORS 652.310 to 652.414 to
the person entitled thereto.

(2) By July 30 of each year, wages collected by the commissioner under ORS 652.310 to 652.414
and remaining unclaimed for a period of more than three years from the date of collection shall [,
by July 30 of each year, be forfeited] escheat to the state and [shall be paid by] the commissioner
shall pay those wages to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer for the benefit of the
Common School Fund [of this state]. The [department] State Treasurer shall issue a receipt for the
money to the commissioner. [The] No later than 10 years after the State Treasurer receives the

1 escheated funds, a person entitled to claim the wages [or the person's heirs or personal represen-

2 tatives may reclaim the wages paid into the Common School Fund pursuant to this section within the

3 time and in the manner provided for estates which have escheated to the state] may file a claim with

4 the State Treasurer in the manner provided by ORS 116.253.

SECTION 68. ORS 657.665 is amended to read:

6 657.665. (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) to (5) of this section, all information in the 7 records of the Employment Department pertaining to the administration of the unemployment in-8 surance, employment service and workforce and labor market information programs:

9 (a) Is confidential and for the exclusive use and information of the Director of the Employment 10 Department in administering the unemployment insurance, employment service and workforce and 11 labor market information programs in Oregon.

(b) May not be used in any court action or in any proceeding pending in the court unless the director or the state is a party to the action or proceeding or unless the proceeding concerns the establishment, enforcement or modification of a support obligation and support services are being provided by the Division of Child Support or the district attorney pursuant to ORS 25.080.

16 (c) Is exempt from disclosure under ORS 192.311 to 192.478.

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(2) The Employment Department shall disclose information:

(a) To any claimant or legal representative, at a hearing before an administrative law judge, tothe extent necessary for the proper presentation of an unemployment insurance claim.

(b) Upon request to the United States Secretary of Labor. The Employment Department shall
disclose the information in a form and containing the information that the United States Secretary
of Labor may require. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other
purpose.

(c) Pursuant to section 303(a)(7) of the Social Security Act, upon request to any agency of the United States charged with the administration of public works or assistance through public employment. Under this paragraph, the Employment Department shall disclose the name, address, ordinary occupation and employment status of each recipient of unemployment insurance benefits and a statement of the recipient's right to further benefits under this chapter. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose.

(d) Pursuant to section 303(c)(1) of the Social Security Act, to the Railroad Retirement Board.
Under this paragraph, the Employment Department shall disclose unemployment insurance records.
The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of
disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the board.

(e) Pursuant to section 303(d) of the Social Security Act, upon request to officers and employees of the United States Department of Agriculture and to officers or employees of any state Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program agency for the purpose of determining an individual's eligibility for or the amount of supplemental nutrition assistance. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the United States Department of Agriculture.

(f) Pursuant to section 303(e)(1) and (2)(A)(ii) of the Social Security Act, to state or local child support enforcement agencies enforcing child support obligations under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act for the purposes of establishing child support obligations, locating individuals owing child support obligations and collecting child support obligations from those individuals. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the child support enforcement agency.

1 (g) Pursuant to sections 303(f) and 1137 of the Social Security Act, to agencies participating in 2 the income and eligibility verification system for the purpose of verifying an individual's eligibility 3 for benefits, or the amount of benefits, under unemployment insurance, temporary assistance for 4 needy families, Medicaid, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, Supplemental Security 5 Income, child support enforcement or Social Security programs. The information disclosed is confi-6 dential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this 7 paragraph shall be paid by the requesting agency.

8 (h) Pursuant to section 303(h) of the Social Security Act and section 3304(a)(16)(B) of the Federal 9 Unemployment Tax Act, to the United States Department of Health and Human Services National 10 Directory of New Hires. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other 11 purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the United States 12 Department of Health and Human Services.

(i) Pursuant to section 303(i) of the Social Security Act, to officers and employees of the United
States Department of Housing and Urban Development and to representatives of a public housing
agency for the purpose of determining an individual's eligibility for benefits, or the amount of benefits, under a housing assistance program of the United States Department of Housing and Urban
Development. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose.
The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the United States Department of Housing and Urban
partment of Housing and Urban Development or the public housing agency.

20(j) Pursuant to regulations of the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services issued under section 3304(a)(16)(A) of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, and except as required by sec-2122tion 303 of the Social Security Act, to the state, a political subdivision or a federally recognized 23Indian tribe that has signed an agreement with the Department of Human Services to administer Part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act for the purpose of determining an individual's eligibility 94 25for assistance, or the amount of assistance, under a program funded under Part A of Title IV of the Social Security Act. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other 2627purpose.

(k) Upon request, to the United States Attorney's Office. Under this paragraph, the Employment
Department may disclose an individual's employment and wage information in response to a federal
grand jury subpoena or for the purpose of collecting civil and criminal judgments, including
restitution and special assessment fees. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be
used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid
by the United States Attorney's Office.

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(3) The Employment Department may disclose information secured from employing units:

(a) To state agencies, federal agencies, local government agencies, public universities listed in 35ORS 352.002 and the Oregon Health and Science University established under ORS 353.020, to the 36 37 extent necessary to properly carry out governmental planning, performance measurement, program 38 analysis, socioeconomic analysis or policy analysis functions performed under applicable law. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be disclosed by the agencies or universities in any 39 manner that would identify individuals, claimants, employees or employing units. If the information 40 disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs 41 42 of disclosing the information shall be paid by the agency or university requesting the information.

(b) As part of a geographic information system. Points on a map may be used to represent economic data, including the location, employment size class and industrial classification of businesses
in Oregon. Information presented as part of a geographic information system may not give specific

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1 details regarding a business's address, actual employment or proprietary information. If the infor-

2 mation disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department,

3 the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the party requesting the information.

4 (c) In accordance with ORS 657.673.

5 (4) The Employment Department may:

6 (a) Disclose information to public employees in the performance of their duties under state or 7 federal laws relating to the payment of unemployment insurance benefits, the provision of employ-8 ment services and the provision of workforce and labor market information.

9 (b) At the discretion of the Director of the Employment Department and subject to an intera-10 gency agreement, disclose information to public officials in the performance of their official duties 11 administering or enforcing laws within their authority and to the agents or contractors of public 12 officials. The public official shall agree to assume responsibility for misuse of the information by 13 the official's agent or contractor.

14 (c) Disclose information pursuant to an informed consent, received from an employer or claim-15 ant, to disclose the information.

(d) Disclose information to partners under the federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act for the purpose of administering state workforce programs under the Act. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the requesting partner.

(e) Disclose the names and addresses of employing units to the Bureau of Labor and Industries for the purpose of disseminating information to employing units. The names and addresses disclosed are confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the bureau.

(f) Disclose information to the Commissioner of the Bureau of Labor and Industries for the purpose of performing duties under ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870, 658.005 to 658.245 or 658.405 to 658.503 or ORS chapter 652, 653 or 659A. The information disclosed may include the names and addresses of employers and employees and payroll data of employers and employees. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the bureau.

(g) Disclose information required under ORS 657.660 (3) and (4) to the Public Employees Retirement System for the purpose of determining the eligibility of members of the retirement system for disability under ORS chapters 238 and 238A. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The costs of disclosing information under this paragraph shall be paid by the Public Employees Retirement System.

37 (h) Disclose to the Oregon Business Development Commission and the Oregon Business Devel-38 opment Department information required by the commission and the department in performing their duties under ORS 285A.050 and 285B.630 to verify changes in employment levels following direct 39 employer participation in department programs or indirect participation through municipalities un-40 der ORS 285B.410 to 285B.482. The information disclosed to the commission and the department may 41 include an employer's employment level, total subject wages payroll and whole hours worked. The 42 information disclosed is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The commission 43 and the department may not disclose the information in any manner that would identify an employ-44 ing unit or employee except to the extent necessary to carry out the commission's and the 45

1 department's duties under ORS 285A.050 and 285B.630. If the information disclosed under this para-

2 graph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the infor-3 mation shall be paid by the commission or the Oregon Business Development Department.

(i) Disclose information to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of performing its duties 4 under ORS 293.250 or under the revenue and tax laws of this state. The information disclosed may 5 include the names and addresses of employers and employees and payroll data of employers and 6 employees. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be disclosed by the Department 7 of Revenue in any manner that would identify an employing unit or employee except to the extent 8 9 necessary to carry out the department's duties under ORS 293.250 or in auditing or reviewing any report or return required or permitted to be filed under the revenue and tax laws administered by 10 the department. The Department of Revenue may not disclose any information received to any pri-11 12 vate collection agency or for any other purpose. If the information disclosed under this paragraph 13 is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the Department of Revenue. 14

15 (j) Disclose information to the Department of Consumer and Business Services for the purpose 16 of performing its duties under ORS chapters 654 and 656. The information disclosed may include the name, address, number of employees and industrial classification code of an employer and payroll 17 18 data of employers and employees. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be disclosed 19 by the Department of Consumer and Business Services in any manner that would identify an em-20 ploying unit or employee except to the extent necessary to carry out the department's duties under 21ORS chapters 654 and 656, including administrative hearings and court proceedings in which the 22Department of Consumer and Business Services is a party. If the information disclosed under this 23paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the Department of Consumer and Business Services. 24

(k) Disclose information to the Construction Contractors Board for the purpose of performing its duties under ORS chapter 701. The information disclosed to the board may include the names and addresses of employers and status of their compliance with this chapter. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the board.

30 (L) Disclose information to the State Fire Marshal to assist the State Fire Marshal in carrying 31 out duties under ORS 453.307 to 453.414. The information disclosed may include the name, address, telephone number and industrial classification code of an employer. The information disclosed is 32confidential and may not be disclosed by the State Fire Marshal in any manner that would identify 33 34 an employing unit except to the extent necessary to carry out duties under ORS 453.307 to 453.414. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment 3536 Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the office of the State Fire 37 Marshal.

38 (m) Disclose information to the Higher Education Coordinating Commission for the purpose of performing the commission's duties under ORS chapter 348 and Title IV of the Higher Education 39 40 Act of 1965. The information disclosed may include the names and addresses of employers and employees and payroll data of employers and employees. The information disclosed is confidential and 41 42 may not be disclosed by the commission in any manner that would identify an employing unit or employee except to the extent necessary to carry out the commission's duties under ORS chapter 43 348 or Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965. If the information disclosed under this para-44 graph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the infor-45

1 mation shall be paid by the commission.

2 (n) Disclose information to the Department of Transportation to assist the Department of Transportation in carrying out the duties of the Department of Transportation relating to collection 3 of delinquent and liquidated debts, including taxes, under ORS 184.610 to 184.665, 184.670 to 184.733 4 and 805.263, ORS chapter 319 and the Oregon Vehicle Code. The information disclosed may include  $\mathbf{5}$ the names and addresses of employers and employees and payroll data of employers and employees. 6 The information disclosed is confidential and may not be disclosed by the Department of Transpor-7 tation in any manner that would identify an employing unit or employee except to the extent nec-8 9 essary to carry out the Department of Transportation's duties relating to collection of delinquent and liquidated debts or in auditing or reviewing any report or return required or permitted to be 10 11 filed under the revenue and tax laws administered by the Department of Transportation. The De-12 partment of Transportation may not disclose any information received to any private collection 13 agency or for any other purpose. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by 14 15 the Department of Transportation.

16 (o) Disclose information to the Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health Authority to assist the Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health Authority in the collection of 17 18 debts that the Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health Authority are authorized by 19 law to collect. The information disclosed may include the names, addresses and payroll data of em-20ployers and employees. The information disclosed is confidential and may not be disclosed by the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority in a manner that would identify an 2122employing unit or employee except to the extent necessary for the collection of debts as described 23in this paragraph. The Department of Human Services and the Oregon Health Authority may not disclose information received under this paragraph to a private collection agency or use the infor-94 25mation for a purpose other than the collection of debts as described in this paragraph. If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, 2627the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority. 28

(p) Disclose to the Alcohol and Drug Policy Commission information required by the commission 2930 in evaluating and measuring the performance of alcohol and drug prevention and treatment pro-31 grams under ORS 430.242 or the impact of the programs on employment. The information disclosed 32to the commission may include total subject wages payroll and whole hours worked. The information disclosed under this paragraph is confidential and may not be used for any other purpose. The 33 34 commission may not disclose the information in any manner that would identify an employing unit 35or employee except to the extent necessary to carry out the commission's duties under ORS 430.242. 36 If the information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment 37 Department, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the commission.

(q) Disclose to any person establishment level information secured pursuant to this chapter from
federal, state and local government agencies, public universities listed in ORS 352.002 or the Oregon
Health and Science University established under ORS 353.020. If the information disclosed under this
paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the
information shall be paid by the person requesting the information.

(r) Disclose to any person the industrial classification code assigned to an employing unit. If the
 information disclosed under this paragraph is not prepared for the use of the Employment Depart ment, the costs of disclosing the information shall be paid by the person requesting the information.

1 (s) Disclose information to the State Treasurer useful for the purpose of performing the 2 State Treasurer's duties under ORS 98.302 to 98.436, 98.992 and 116.253 and the role of an 3 estate administrator under ORS 113.235. The information disclosed is confidential and may 4 not be used by the State Treasurer for any other purpose. If the information disclosed is not 5 prepared for the use of the Employment Department, the costs of disclosing the information 6 shall be paid by the State Treasurer.

7 (5) The Employment Department may make public all decisions of the Employment Appeals8 Board.

9 (6) Any officer appointed by or any employee of the Director of the Employment Department 10 who discloses confidential information, except with the authority of the director, pursuant to rules 11 or as otherwise required by law, may be disqualified from holding any appointment or employment 12 with the Employment Department.

13 (7) Any person or any officer or employee of an entity to whom information is disclosed by the Employment Department under this section who divulges or uses the information for any purpose 14 15 other than that specified in the provision of law or agreement authorizing the use or disclosure may 16 be disqualified from performing any service under contract or disqualified from holding any ap-17 pointment or employment with the state agency that engaged or employed that person, officer or 18 employee. The Employment Department may immediately cancel or modify any information sharing 19 agreement with an entity when a person or an officer or employee of that entity discloses confi-20 dential information, other than as specified in law or agreement.

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SECTION 69. ORS 708A.430 is amended to read:

708A.430. (1) On the death of a depositor of an insured institution, if the deposit is \$25,000 or less, the insured institution, after receiving an affidavit as provided in subsection (3) of this section from a person that claims the deposit, or a declaration from the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority as provided in subsection (4) of this section, may pay the moneys on deposit to the credit of the deceased depositor, in the following order of priority, to:

(a) The surviving spouse at the surviving spouse's demand at any time after the depositor'sdeath;

(b) The Oregon Health Authority or the Department of Human Services, if the authority or the department demands the payment not less than 46 days and no more than 75 days after the death of the depositor if the depositor does not have a surviving spouse and if the authority or department has a preferred claim under ORS 411.708, 411.795 or 416.350;

(c) The depositor's surviving children 18 years of age or older, if the depositor does not have a
 surviving spouse and the authority and department do not have a claim;

35 (d) The depositor's surviving parent, if the depositor does not have a surviving spouse or sur-36 viving child 18 years of age or older and if the authority and department do not have a claim; [or]

(e) The depositor's surviving brothers and sisters 18 years of age or older, if the depositor does
not have a surviving spouse, surviving child 18 years of age or older or surviving parent and the
authority and department do not have a claim[.]; or

40 (f) Any other surviving heir of the depositor, if there is no surviving spouse, authority
41 claim, department claim, surviving child 18 years of age or older, surviving parent or sur42 viving brothers or sisters 18 years of age or older.

43 (2)(a) An insured institution may not pay moneys on deposit under subsection (1)(c)[, (d) or (e)]
44 to (f) of this section earlier than 46 days after the death of the depositor.

45 (b) An insured institution may not pay moneys on deposit under subsection (1)(c)[, (d) or (e)] to

1 (f) of this section earlier than 76 days after the death of the depositor unless the financial institu-

2 tion obtains prior verbal or written authorization from the Oregon Health Authority or its desig-

3 nated representative and the Department of Human Services or its designated representative.

4 (3) An affidavit or declaration submitted under this section must:

5 (a) State where and when the depositor died;

6 (b) State that the total deposits of the deceased depositor in all financial institutions in Oregon 7 do not exceed \$25,000;

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(c) Show the relationship of the affiant or declarant to the deceased depositor; and

9 (d) Embody a promise to pay the expenses of last sickness, funeral expenses and just debts of 10 the deceased depositor out of the deposit to the full extent of the deposit if necessary, in the order 11 of priority prescribed by ORS 115.125, and to distribute any remaining moneys to the persons that 12 are entitled to the moneys by law.

13 (4) An insured institution shall accept from the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority, without additional requirements, a declaration under penalty of perjury meeting 14 15 the requirements of subsection (3) of this section. A declaration submitted under this section must be signed by the declarant and must include the following sentence immediately above the signature 16 line of the declarant: "I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I am authorized by the De-17 partment of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority to make this declaration, that the 18 19 above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand that it is 20 subject to penalty for perjury."

(5) In the event the depositor died intestate without known heirs, an estate administrator of the
 [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 is the affiant and shall
 receive the moneys as escheat property.

(6) The insured institution shall determine the relationship of the affiant or declarant to the deceased depositor, but paying the moneys in good faith to the affiant or declarant discharges and releases the insured institution from any liability or responsibility for the transfer in the same manner and with the same effect as if the insured institution transferred, delivered or paid the moneys to a personal representative of the estate of the deceased depositor.

(7) A probate proceeding is not necessary to establish the right of the surviving spouse, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Human Services, surviving child, surviving parent, surviving brothers and sisters or an estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer to withdraw the deposits after filing the affidavit or declaration. If a personal representative is appointed in an estate where a withdrawal of deposits was made under this section, the person that withdraws the deposits shall account for the deposits to the personal representative.

(8) If an insured institution transfers moneys under subsection (1) of this section, the insured institution may require the transferee to furnish the insured institution with a written indemnity agreement that indemnifies the insured institution against loss for moneys the insured institution transferred to the extent of the amount of the deposit.

(9)(a) Moneys disbursed to the Department of Human Services under subsection (1) of this sec tion may be made payable only to the department.

(b) Moneys disbursed to the Oregon Health Authority under subsection (1) of this section may
be made payable only to the authority.

(10) This section is subject to the rights of other parties in the account under ORS 708A.455 to
708A.515.

45 **SECTION 70.** ORS 708A.655 is amended to read:

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708A.655. (1) This section applies to the safe deposit box of any person who is the sole lessee 1 or last surviving lessee of the box and who has died. 2

(2) Subject to ORS 114.537, upon being furnished with a certified copy of the decedent's death 3 record or other evidence of death satisfactory to the Oregon operating institution, the Oregon op-4 erating institution within which the box is located shall cause or permit the box to be opened and 5 the contents of the box examined at the request of an individual who furnishes an affidavit stating: 6 (a) That the individual believes the box may contain the will of the decedent, a trust instrument 7

creating a trust of which the decedent was a trustor or a trustee at the time of the decedent's death, 8 9 documents pertaining to the disposition of the remains of the decedent, documents pertaining to property of the estate of the decedent or property of the estate of the decedent; and 10

(b) That the individual is an interested person and wishes to open the box to conduct a will 11 12 search or trust instrument search, obtain documents relating to the disposition of the decedent's 13 remains, inventory the contents of the box or remove property of the estate of the decedent pursuant to a small estate affidavit filed under ORS 114.515. 14

15 (3) For the purpose of this section, "interested person" means any of the following:

16 (a) A person named as personal representative of the decedent in a purported will of the 17decedent;

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(b) The surviving spouse or any heir of the decedent;

(c) A person who was serving as the court-appointed guardian or conservator of the decedent 19 or as trustee for the decedent immediately prior to the decedent's death; 20

(d) A person named as successor trustee in a purported trust instrument creating a trust of 2122which the decedent was a trustor or a trustee at the time of the decedent's death;

23(e) A person designated by the decedent in a writing that is acceptable to the Oregon operating institution and is filed with it prior to the decedent's death; 24

(f) A person who immediately prior to the death of the decedent had the right of access to the 25box as an agent of the decedent under a durable power of attorney; 26

27(g) If there are no heirs of the decedent, an estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235; or 28

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(h) A person who is authorized to file an affidavit under ORS 114.515.

30 (4) If the box is opened for the purpose of conducting a will search, the Oregon operating in-31 stitution shall remove any document that appears to be a will, make a true and correct copy of it 32and deliver the original will to a person designated in the will to serve as the decedent's personal representative, or if no such person is designated or the Oregon operating institution cannot, despite 33 34 reasonable efforts, determine the whereabouts of such person, the Oregon operating institution shall 35retain the will or deliver it to a court having jurisdiction of the estate of the decedent. A copy of the will shall be retained in the box. At the request of the interested person, a copy of the will, 36 37 together with copies of any documents pertaining to the disposition of the remains of the decedent, 38 may be given to the interested person.

(5) If the box is opened for the purpose of conducting a trust instrument search, the Oregon 39 operating institution shall remove any document that appears to be a trust instrument creating a 40 trust of which the decedent was a trustor or trustee at the time of the decedent's death, make a true 41 and correct copy of it and deliver the original trust instrument to a person designated in the trust 42 instrument to serve as the successor trustee on the death of the decedent. If no such person is 43 designated or the Oregon operating institution cannot, despite reasonable efforts, determine the 44 whereabouts of such person, the Oregon operating institution shall retain the trust instrument. A 45

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1 copy of the trust instrument shall be retained in the box. At the request of any interested person,

2 a copy of the trust instrument may be given to the interested person.

3 (6) If the box is opened for the purpose of obtaining documents pertaining to the disposition of 4 the decedent's remains, the Oregon operating institution shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of 5 this section with respect to any will or trust instrument of the decedent found in the box, and may 6 in its discretion either:

(a) Make and retain in the box a copy of any documents pertaining to the disposition of the
 remains of the decedent and tender the original documents to the interested person; or

9 (b) Provide a copy of any documents pertaining to the disposition of the remains of the decedent 10 to the interested person and retain the original documents in the box.

(7) If the box is opened for the purpose of making an inventory of its contents, the Oregon operating institution shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of this section with respect to any will or trust instrument of the decedent that is found in the box, and shall cause the inventory to be made. The inventory must be attested to by a representative of the Oregon operating institution and may be attested to by the interested person, if the interested person is present when the inventory is made. The Oregon operating institution shall retain the original inventory in the box, and shall furnish a copy of the inventory to the interested person upon request.

(8) If the interested person is an affiant of a small estate affidavit filed under ORS 114.515 and delivers a certified copy of the affidavit in the manner provided by ORS 114.535, the Oregon operating institution shall provide to the affiant access to the decedent's property. The Oregon operating institution shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of this section if a will or trust instrument of the decedent is found in the box. Subject to ORS 114.537, the Oregon operating institution shall allow the affiant to take possession of the personal property in the box.

24 (9) The Oregon operating institution may presume the truth of any statement contained in the affidavit required to be furnished under this section or ORS 114.535, and when acting in reliance 25upon such an affidavit, the Oregon operating institution is discharged as if it had dealt with the 2627personal representative of the decedent. The Oregon operating institution is not responsible for the adequacy of the description of any property included in an inventory of the contents of a box, or for 28the conversion of the property in connection with actions performed under this section, except for 2930 conversion by intentional acts of the Oregon operating institution or its employees, directors, offi-31 cers or agents. If the Oregon operating institution is not satisfied that the requirements of this 32section have been satisfied, the Oregon operating institution may decline to open the box.

(10) If the interested person or affiant does not furnish the key needed to open the box, and the
 Oregon operating institution must incur expense in gaining entry to the box, the Oregon operating
 institution may require that the interested person or affiant pay the expense of opening the box.

36 (11) Any examination of the contents of a box under this section shall be conducted in the 37 presence of at least one employee of the Oregon operating institution.

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SECTION 71. ORS 711.225 is amended to read:

39 711.225. [(1)] Six months after the mailing of the written notice described in ORS 711.220
40 (3), the Oregon stock bank shall deliver a report and all deposits that remain unclaimed [after
41 six months from the date of the written notice mentioned in ORS 711.220 (3), shall be reported and
42 transferred by the Oregon stock bank to the Department of State Lands] to the State Treasurer as
43 unclaimed property for deposit in the Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund under ORS [98.302 to
44 98.436 and 98.992] 98.352[.]

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[(2) A] and deliver a copy of the report [of unclaimed deposits] filed with the [Department of

1 State Lands shall be filed with] **State Treasurer to** the Director of the Department of Consumer 2 and Business Services.

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SECTION 72. ORS 711.230 is amended to read:

4 711.230. (1) Claims of all persons, other than depositors, against the institution shall be pre-5 sented in writing to the institution within one year after the date of first publication provided for 6 in ORS 711.220, unless barred by an earlier period of limitation. Claims arising out of the expense 7 of liquidation may be filed at any time prior to the closing of the liquidation.

8 (2) The board of directors shall, within 30 days after the presentment of a claim, allow or reject 9 the claim, in whole or in part, noting the same in their minutes. The board shall notify the claimants 10 in writing of its action, either by personal service or by mail. Any claim rejected or disallowed is 11 barred unless action to adjudicate the claim is commenced within 60 days after the date of service 12 or mailing of notice of disallowance or rejection.

(3) The board of directors may extend the time within which to receive claims and continue the liquidation after the expiration of the time allowed in this section for the filing of claims. Any new claims filed after the time shall be allowed and paid or rejected in the same manner as provided for other claims. If the liquidation is continued, the transfer of unclaimed deposits to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer may be delayed to such time as designated by the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

SECTION 73. ORS 711.235 is amended to read:

711.235. (1) After the expiration of the time provided in ORS 711.230 for the filing of claims or if the board of directors has extended the time of liquidation then after the time set by them and after payment of unclaimed deposits to the [*Department of State Lands*] **State Treasurer**, the board of directors shall make a complete report of the liquidation to the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services and shall certify to the director that all claims have been paid or finally determined.

(2) Any claims received and approved after the report has been filed with the director shall bepaid if the remaining assets are sufficient.

(3) When the report has been approved by the director the board of directors may proceed to liquidate the remaining assets and distribute them to the stockholders or other persons entitled to receive them according to their respective rights and interests without further report to the director.

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# SECTION 74. ORS 711.590 is amended to read:

711.590. (1) Two years after the date of the final order closing the liquidation of an institution, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services may withdraw any unclaimed deposits or balances remaining to the credit of dividend accounts, representing the aggregate of undelivered checks or unpaid dividend funds in the possession of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, and report and pay the funds to the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer as unclaimed property [to be disposed of as provided in ORS 98.302 to 98.436 and 98.992] for deposit in the Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund under ORS 98.352.

(2) The interest earned on the dividend accounts while they remain in the possession of the director shall be paid to the State Treasurer to be credited to the Consumer and Business Services
Fund and [the owner, the heirs or personal representative of the owner have no] no person entitled
to the accounts has any claim to the interest.

44 **SECTION 75.** ORS 716.905 is amended to read:

45 716.905. (1) [Acting under] Upon approval of a plan under ORS 716.900, the directors shall

1 [direct the mailing of a] mail written notice of their intention to close the Oregon nonstock bank to 2 the last-known address of all depositors and other creditors.

3 (2) All deposits and amounts reserved for creditors that remain unclaimed after six months from 4 the date of the written notice required under subsection (1) of this section shall be reported and 5 transferred by the directors to the [Department of State Lands] **State Treasurer** as unclaimed 6 property **for deposit in the Unclaimed Property Revolving Fund** under ORS [98.302 to 98.436 and 7 98.992] **98.352**.

8 (3) A copy of the report of unclaimed deposits and amounts reserved for creditors filed with the 9 [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall be filed with the Director of the Department of 10 Consumer and Business Services.

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SECTION 76. ORS 716.910 is amended to read:

12 716.910. After the directors of an Oregon nonstock bank have filed their report and deposited 13 the unclaimed funds with the [*Department of State Lands*] **State Treasurer** as required under ORS 14 716.905, the directors shall report their proceedings to the Director of the Department of Consumer 15 and Business Services. Upon filing the report and the petition of the directors with the Director of 16 the Department of Consumer and Business Services, the director shall order the charter surren-17 dered, the directors discharged from liability accruing after the order, and the existence of the 18 Oregon nonstock bank terminated.

19 **SECTION 77.** ORS 723.466 is amended to read:

723.466. (1) On the death of a member of a credit union, if the deposit to the credit of the deceased member is \$25,000 or less, the credit union may, upon receipt of an affidavit from a person claiming the deposit as provided in subsection (3) of this section, or a declaration from the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority as provided in subsection (4) of this section, pay the moneys on deposit:

(a) To the surviving spouse on demand of the surviving spouse at any time after the death ofthe member;

(b) If there is no surviving spouse, to the Oregon Health Authority or the Department of Human
Services, on demand of the authority or the department no less than 46 days and no more than 75
days after the death of the member when there is a preferred claim arising under ORS 411.708,
411.795 or 416.350;

(c) If there is no surviving spouse and no authority or department claim, to the member's surviving children 18 years of age or older;

(d) If there is no surviving spouse, authority claim, department claim or surviving child 18 years
of age or older, to the member's surviving parents; [or]

(e) If there is no surviving spouse, authority claim, department claim, surviving child 18 years
of age or older or surviving parent, to the member's surviving brothers and sisters 18 years of age
or older[.]; or

(f) If there is no surviving spouse, authority claim, department claim, surviving child 18
 years of age or older, surviving parent or surviving brothers or sisters 18 years of age or
 older, to any other surviving heir of the member.

41 (2)(a) A credit union may not pay moneys on deposit under subsection (1)(c)[, (d) or (e)] to (f)
42 of this section earlier than 46 days after the death of the [depositor] member.

(b) A credit union may not pay moneys on deposit under subsection (1)(c)[, (d) or (e)] to (f) of
this section earlier than 76 days after the death of the [depositor] member unless the financial institution obtains prior verbal or written authorization from the Oregon Health Authority or its

1 designated representative and the Department of Human Services or its designated representative.

2 (3) An affidavit or declaration submitted under this section must:

3 (a) State where and when the member died;

4 (b) State that the total deposits of the deceased member in all financial institutions in this state 5 do not exceed \$25,000;

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(c) Show the relationship of the affiant or declarant to the deceased member; and

7 (d) Embody a promise to pay the expenses of last sickness, funeral expenses and just debts of 8 the deceased member out of the deposit, to the full extent of the deposit if necessary, in the order 9 of priority prescribed by ORS 115.125, and to distribute any remaining moneys to the persons who 10 are entitled to those moneys by law.

(4) A credit union shall accept from the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health 11 12 Authority, without additional requirements, a declaration under penalty of perjury meeting the re-13 quirements of subsection (3) of this section. A declaration submitted under this section must be signed by the declarant and must include the following sentence immediately above the signature 14 15 line of the declarant: "I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that I am authorized by the Department of Human Services or the Oregon Health Authority to make this declaration, that the 16 above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that I understand that it is 17 18 subject to penalty for perjury."

(5) In the event the member died intestate without known heirs, an estate administrator of the
 [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235 shall be the affiant and
 shall receive the moneys as escheat property.

(6) The credit union shall determine the relationship of the affiant or declarant to the deceased member. However, payment of the moneys in good faith to the affiant or declarant discharges and releases the transferor from any liability or responsibility for the transfer in the same manner and with the same effect as if the property had been transferred, delivered or paid to a personal representative of the estate of the deceased member.

(7) A probate proceeding is not necessary to establish the right of the surviving spouse, Oregon Health Authority, Department of Human Services, surviving children, surviving parents, surviving brothers and sisters or an estate administrator of the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer to withdraw the deposits upon the filing of the affidavit or declaration. If a personal representative is appointed in an estate where a withdrawal of deposits was made under this section, the person withdrawing the deposits shall account for them to the personal representative.

(8) When a credit union transfers moneys under subsection (1) of this section, the transferor may
require the transferee to furnish the transferor with a written indemnity agreement, indemnifying
the transferor against loss for moneys paid to the extent of the amount of the deposit.

(9)(a) Moneys disbursed to the Department of Human Services under subsection (1) of this sec tion may be made payable only to the department.

(b) Moneys disbursed to the Oregon Health Authority under subsection (1) of this section may
be made payable only to the authority.

40 (10) This section is subject to the rights of other parties to the account under ORS 723.474 to 41 723.498.

42 SECTION 78. ORS 723.844 is amended to read:

43 723.844. (1) This section applies to the safe deposit box of any person who is the sole lessee or
44 last surviving lessee of the box and who has died.

45 (2) Subject to ORS 114.537, upon being furnished with a certified copy of the decedent's death

1 record or other evidence of death satisfactory to the credit union, the credit union within which the

box is located shall cause or permit the box to be opened and the contents of the box examined at
the request of an individual who furnishes an affidavit stating:

(a) That the individual believes the box may contain the will of the decedent, a trust instrument
creating a trust of which the decedent was a trustor or a trustee at the time of the decedent's death,
documents pertaining to the disposition of the remains of the decedent, documents pertaining to
property of the estate of the decedent or property of the estate of the decedent; and

8 (b) That the individual is an interested person and wishes to open the box to conduct a will 9 search or trust instrument search, obtain documents relating to the disposition of the decedent's 10 remains or inventory the contents of the box or remove property of the estate of the decedent pur-11 suant to a small estate affidavit filed under ORS 114.515.

12 (3) For the purpose of this section, "interested person" means any of the following:

(a) A person named as personal representative of the decedent in a purported will of thedecedent;

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(b) The surviving spouse or any heir of the decedent;

(c) A person who was serving as the court-appointed guardian or conservator of the decedent
 or as trustee for the decedent immediately prior to the decedent's death;

(d) A person named as successor trustee in a purported trust instrument creating a trust of
which the decedent was a trustor or a trustee at the time of the decedent's death;

20 (e) A person designated by the decedent in a writing that is acceptable to the credit union and 21 is filed with it prior to the decedent's death;

(f) A person who immediately prior to the death of the decedent had the right of access to the
box as an agent of the decedent under a durable power of attorney;

(g) If there are no heirs of the decedent, an estate administrator of the [Department of State
 Lands] State Treasurer appointed under ORS 113.235; or

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(h) A person who is authorized to file an affidavit under ORS 114.515.

27(4) If the box is opened for the purpose of conducting a will search, the credit union shall remove any document that appears to be a will, make a true and correct copy of it and deliver the 28original will to a person designated in the will to serve as the decedent's personal representative, 2930 or if no such person is designated or the credit union cannot, despite reasonable efforts, determine 31 the whereabouts of such person, the credit union shall retain the will or deliver it to a court having jurisdiction of the estate of the decedent. A copy of the will shall be retained in the box. At the 32request of the interested person, a copy of the will, together with copies of any documents pertain-33 34 ing to the disposition of the remains of the decedent, may be given to the interested person.

35(5) If the box is opened for the purpose of conducting a trust instrument search, the credit union shall remove any document that appears to be a trust instrument creating a trust of which the 36 37 decedent was a trustor or trustee at the time of the decedent's death, make a true and correct copy 38 of it and deliver the original trust instrument to a person designated in the trust instrument to serve as the successor trustee on the death of the decedent. If no such person is designated or the credit 39 union cannot, despite reasonable efforts, determine the whereabouts of such person, the credit union 40 shall retain the trust instrument. A copy of the trust instrument shall be retained in the box. At the 41 request of any interested person, a copy of the trust instrument may be given to the interested 42 43 person.

(6) If the box is opened for the purpose of obtaining documents pertaining to the disposition of
the decedent's remains, the credit union shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of this section with

respect to any will or trust instrument of the decedent found in the box, and may in its discretion
 either:

3 (a) Make and retain in the box a copy of any documents pertaining to the disposition of the 4 remains of the decedent and tender the original documents to the interested person; or

5 (b) Provide a copy of any documents pertaining to the disposition of the remains of the decedent 6 to the interested person and retain the original documents in the box.

7 (7) If the box is opened for the purpose of making an inventory of its contents, the credit union 8 shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of this section with respect to any will or trust instrument 9 of the decedent that is found in the box, and shall cause the inventory to be made. The inventory 10 must be attested to by a representative of the credit union and may be attested to by the interested 11 person, if the interested person is present when the inventory is made. The credit union shall retain 12 the original inventory in the box, and shall furnish a copy of the inventory to the interested person 13 upon request.

(8) If the interested person is an affiant of a small estate affidavit filed under ORS 114.515 and delivers a certified copy of the affidavit in the manner provided by ORS 114.535, the credit union shall provide to the affiant access to the decedent's property. The credit union shall comply with subsection (4) or (5) of this section if a will or trust instrument of the decedent is found in the box. Subject to ORS 114.537, the credit union shall allow the affiant to take possession of the personal property in the box.

(9) The credit union may presume the truth of any statement contained in the affidavit required 20to be furnished under this section and ORS 114.535, and when acting in reliance upon such an affi-2122davit, the credit union is discharged as if it had dealt with the personal representative of the 23decedent. The credit union is not responsible for the adequacy of the description of any property included in an inventory of the contents of a box, or for the conversion of the property in connection 24 with actions performed under this section, except for conversion by intentional acts of the credit 25union or its employees, directors, officers or agents. If the credit union is not satisfied that the re-2627quirements of this section have been satisfied, the credit union may decline to open the box.

(10) If the interested person or affiant does not furnish the key needed to open the box, and the credit union must incur expense in gaining entry to the box, the credit union may require that the interested person or affiant pay the expense of opening the box.

(11) Any examination of the contents of a box under this section shall be conducted in the
 presence of at least one employee of the credit union.

33 SECTION 79. Section 2, chapter 91, Oregon Laws 2018, is amended to read:

34 Sec. 2. (1) As used in this section:

35 (a) "Armed Forces of the United States" has the meaning given that term in ORS 348.282.

36 (b) "Descendant" has the meaning given that term in ORS 111.005.

(c) "Military medal" means a medal or decoration awarded to a person for military service in
 the Armed Forces of the United States and presumed to be abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436.

(d) "Service member" means the person to whom a military medal was initially awarded by theArmed Forces of the United States.

(2) Notwithstanding ORS 98.382 and 98.384, the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer may not sell or destroy a military medal. Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, upon receiving a military medal, the [department] State Treasurer shall retain the military medal until a claim is filed for the military medal by a service member or by a descendant of a deceased service member.

(3) The [department] State Treasurer may make a photograph or other visual depiction of the 1 2 military medal available to the public, together with any information in the records of the holder, excluding Social Security numbers, that the [department] State Treasurer determines is necessary 3 to facilitate the identification and location of a service member or a descendant of a deceased ser-4 vice member. 5 (4) The [department] State Treasurer may deliver a military medal to one of the following 6 custodians if the recipient custodian agrees[,] in writing[,] to retain the military medal for the ser-7 vice member or a descendant of a deceased service member: 8 9 (a) A military veterans' organization qualified under section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code: 10 11 (b) The agency that awarded the military medal; 12(c) A state or federal agency; or 13 (d) The Oregon Military Museum established under ORS 396.555. (5) If the [department] State Treasurer transfers custody of a military medal as provided in 14 15 subsection (4) of this section, the [department] State Treasurer is relieved of any duty to safeguard the military medal. 16 17 (6) The [department] State Treasurer may adopt rules to implement the provisions of this section, including: 18 19 (a) Identifying procedures the [department] State Treasurer must take to reasonably identify a 20 service member or a descendant of a deceased service member. (b) Specifying documentation necessary for a service member or a descendant of a deceased 2122service member to submit a claim for a military medal. 23(c) Prioritizing claims if more than one of a deceased service member's descendants submits a claim for a military medal. 24 SECTION 80. Section 2, chapter 95, Oregon Laws 2018, is amended to read: 25Sec. 2. (1) As used in this section, "U.S. savings bonds" or "bonds" means: 2627(a) U.S. savings bonds, series A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, J and K, and U.S. savings notes, governed by 31 C.F.R. 315; 28

(b) Definitive United States savings bonds, series EE and HH, governed by 31 C.F.R. 353; and 29

30 (c) Definitive United States savings bonds, series I, governed by 31 C.F.R. 360.

31 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, U.S. savings bonds subject to the custody of the State of Oregon as unclaimed property shall escheat to the state [only] in accordance with this 32section. 33

34 (3) The holder of U.S. savings bonds presumed abandoned under ORS 98.302 to 98.436 shall re-35port, and deliver possession of, the bonds to the [administrator] State Treasurer.

(4) After obtaining possession of the U.S. savings bonds under subsection (3) of this section, the 36 37 [administrator] State Treasurer shall cause:

38 (a) Each person listed on the face of the bonds, each apparent owner of the bonds and each person otherwise appearing to be an owner of the bonds to be contacted at the last-known address 39 of the person; and 40

(b) Notice of the bonds to be published of the bonds in such form as in the discretion of the 41 [administrator] State Treasurer is most likely to attract the attention of all persons having a legal 42 or beneficial interest in the bonds. 43

(5) The notice required under subsection (4)(b) of this section must contain the following infor-44 mation: 45

(a) The name of each person described in subsection (4)(a) of this section; 1 2 (b) The last-known address or location of each person described in subsection (4)(a) of this section, if known by the [administrator] State Treasurer; 3 (c) A statement explaining that the U.S. savings bonds are presumed to be abandoned and have 4 been taken into the protective custody and possession of the [administrator] State Treasurer; 5 (d) A statement that information about the U.S. savings bonds can be obtained upon inquiry to 6 the [administrator] State Treasurer at any time by any person having a legal or beneficial interest 7 in the bonds; 8 9 (e) A statement that a claim for the U.S. savings bonds may be made under ORS 98.392 and 98.396; 10 (f) A description of the escheat proceedings under this section; and 11 12(g) Any other information the [administrator] State Treasurer considers appropriate or neces-13 sary to locate all persons having a legal or beneficial interest in the bonds. (6) The [administrator] State Treasurer shall create and maintain on the official website of the 14 15 [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer a webpage on which the public may obtain information about U.S. savings bonds in the custody and possession of the [administrator] State Treasurer as 16 unclaimed property. 17 (7) If no person has been identified as the owner of U.S. savings bonds within three years after 18 the first public notice provided under subsection (4)(b) of this section with respect to the bonds: 19 (a) Title to the bonds shall vest in the State of Oregon; and 20(b) The [administrator] State Treasurer may seek an order from the Marion County Circuit 2122Court escheating the bonds to the State of Oregon. 23(8) The Marion County Circuit Court shall issue an order escheating U.S. savings bonds to the State of Oregon if the court determines that: 24 (a) With respect to the bonds, all provisions of this section have been complied with; and 25(b) The bonds: 2627(A) Have, within the meaning of the applicable federal regulations, reached the final extended maturity date or the final maturity, or have stopped earning interest; 28(B) Are in the possession of the state; and 2930 (C) Have been abandoned by all persons entitled to payment for the bonds under the applicable 31 federal regulations. 32(9)(a) Upon issuance of an order of escheat with respect to U.S. savings bonds, the [administrator] State Treasurer may apply to the United States Treasury for payment to the state 33 34 for the bonds. 35(b) ORS 98.386 applies to any payments received by the state pursuant to this subsection. [(10)(a) U.S. savings bonds escheated to the state under this section or the amount of any payments 36 37 received by the state for the bonds may be recovered by a claim filed by or on behalf of any person having a legal or beneficial interest in the bonds that did not have actual knowledge of the escheat 38 proceedings with respect to the bonds or that at the time of the order of escheat was unable to prove 39 entitlement to the bonds.] 40 [(b) The claim shall be made by a petition filed with the administrator. The claim shall be con-41 sidered a contested case for purposes of ORS chapter 183 and a person adversely affected or aggrieved 42 by a final order with respect to the claim is entitled to judicial review under ORS 183.480.] 43 [(c) The petition must include a declaration made under penalty of perjury in the form required 44 by ORCP 1 E, or an unsworn declaration under ORS 194,800 to 194,835, if the declarant is physically 45

1 outside the boundaries of the United States, and must state:]

2 [(A) The age and place of residence of the claimant by whom or on whose behalf the petition is 3 filed;]

4 [(B) That the claimant is lawfully entitled to the U.S. savings bonds or the amount of the payments 5 received by the state for the bonds;]

6 [(C) That at the time the bonds escheated to the state, the claimant had no actual knowledge of the 7 escheat proceedings or was unable to prove entitlement to the bonds and has subsequently acquired new 8 evidence of that entitlement;]

9 [(D) That the claimant claims the bonds or the payments received by the state for the bonds as an 10 heir or devisee, or as the personal representative of the estate of an heir or devisee, setting forth the 11 relationship, if any, of the claimant to the decedent who at the time of death was the owner of the 12 bonds; and]

13 [(E) If the petition is not filed by the claimant, the status of the petitioner.]

14 [(d) If it is determined that the claimant is entitled to the bonds or the payments received by the 15 state for the bonds, the administrator shall deliver the bonds or the payments received for the bonds 16 to the claimant, after deduction of any costs and expenses of the state in connection with the escheat 17 proceedings and the claim hearing.]

[(e) A claimant is not entitled to payment of interest on payments received by the state for the bonds
earned during the period in which title to the bonds was vested in the State of Oregon in accordance
with this section.]

21 [(11)] (10) This section does not apply to a claim of title by the state to U.S. savings bonds as 22 heir to a deceased owner.

SECTION 81. Section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, is amended to read:

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Sec. 22. (1) On January 1 of each year, the [Department of State Lands] State Treasurer shall transfer from the Common School Fund Account to the School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund established in section 24, [of this 2018 Act] chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, all or part of the interest earned in the previous calendar year from the cumulative unclaimed property deposited in the Common School Fund Account under ORS 98.386 to which the state has not taken title, as described in subsection (2) of this section.

(2) The amount made available under subsection (1) of this section may not exceed an amount
 equal to the proceeds from unclaimed property received by the Department of State Lands or State
 Treasurer in the previous calendar year, minus:

(a) The amount paid for unclaimed property claims under ORS 98.396 in the previous calendar
 year;

(b) The [department's] investment expenses of the department or State Treasurer related to
 the Common School Fund for the previous calendar year; and

(c) Operating expenses that the department or State Treasurer is entitled to recover for the
 previous calendar year.

39 <u>SECTION 82.</u> Section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, as amended by section 81 of this 2019
 40 Act, is amended to read:

41 Sec. 22. (1) On January 1 of each year, the State Treasurer shall transfer from the Common 42 School Fund Account to the School Districts Unfunded Liability Fund established in section 24, 43 chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, all or part of the interest earned in the previous calendar year from 44 the cumulative unclaimed property deposited in the Common School Fund Account under ORS 98.386 45 to which the state has not taken title, as described in subsection (2) of this section.

1	(2) The amount made available under subsection (1) of this section may not exceed an amount
<b>2</b>	equal to the proceeds from unclaimed property received by the [Department of State Lands or] State
3	Treasurer in the previous calendar year, minus:
4	(a) The amount paid for unclaimed property claims under ORS 98.396 in the previous calendar
5	year;
6	(b) The investment expenses of the [department or] State Treasurer related to the Common
7	School Fund for the previous calendar year; and
8	(c) Operating expenses that the [department or] State Treasurer is entitled to recover for the
9	previous calendar year.
10	SECTION 83. Section 23, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, is amended to read:
11	Sec. 23. Section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, as amended by sections 81 and 82 of
12	this 2019 Act, [of this 2018 Act] is repealed on January 2, 2027.
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14	CAPTIONS
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16	SECTION 84. The unit captions used in this 2019 Act are provided only for the conven-
17	ience of the reader and do not become part of the statutory law of this state or express any
18	legislative intent in the enactment of this 2019 Act.
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20	<b>OPERATIVE DATES</b>
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22	SECTION 85. (1) Sections 1 to 6 of this 2019 Act become operative on July 1, 2021.
23	(2) The amendments to statutes and session law by sections 7 to 80 of this 2019 Act be-
24	come operative on July 1, 2021.
25	(3) The amendments to section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, by section 81 of this
26	2019 Act become operative on January 1, 2022.
27	(4) The amendments to section 22, chapter 105, Oregon Laws 2018, by section 82 of this
28	2019 Act become operative on January 1, 2023.
29	(5) The State Treasurer, the Department of State Lands and the State Land Board may
30	take any actions before the operative dates specified in subsections (1) to (4) of this section
31	necessary to enable the State Treasurer to exercise, on and after the operative dates speci-
32	fied in subsections (1) to (4) of this section, the duties, functions and powers required under
33	this 2019 Act.
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35	EFFECTIVE DATE
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37	SECTION 86. This 2019 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2019
38	regular session of the Eightieth Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.
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