
OREGON RV DEALERS AND OWNERS OPPOSE SB525

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OREGON RV DEALERS ASSOCIATION

Chair Sollman and Members of the Committee:

The Oregon RV Dealers Association (ORVDA) represents Oregon's franchised dealers of RV trailers and self-propelled RVs. ORVDA members sell, service and repair RVs which are used for recreation, and in many cases as homes for low income and retired Oregonians.

RV owners rely on their RVs for many uses, including:

- Recreation and travel through-out Oregon, which brings revenue to local communities;
- Mobile work on the road offering flexibility and freedom in the workplace; and
- Full time living, which due to the massive housing affordability issues in Oregon is the only housing solution available to many families.

The use of both permanently mounted and portable generators are critical for the above stated uses. There is currently no viable "zero-emission" or electric solutions available in the industry. The battery technology is 10 to 15 years away from being commercially available at a price that is affordable. And, without an affordable, viable generator, some RV residents may end up being forced to use their vehicle's engine to provide power if affordable generators are not available in the marketplace.

We respectfully ask that generators affixed to RVs in a manner intended to be permanent, or generators sold as part of a sale of an RV by a certified motor vehicle dealership, be excluded from Senate Bill 525. If this is not possible, extending the ban to 2035 to coincide with many auto manufactures deadline to all electric would provide an opportunity for the technology to catch up with the ruling.

We are happy to answer any questions.

Thank you.