

House Bill 3323

Sponsored by Representative JAVADI

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**. The statement includes a measure digest written in compliance with applicable readability standards.

Digest: If a driver is 18 or younger and gets a ticket and they have had no other tickets before, they can take a class instead of having the ticket. (Flesch Readability Score: 63.6).

Authorizes a driver improvement course as an alternative to conviction of a traffic violation for a person 18 years of age or less whose driving record shows no prior convictions of traffic offenses. Takes effect on the 91st day following adjournment sine die.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to traffic offenses; and prescribing an effective date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2025 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "specific fine traffic violation" means specific fine**
7 **traffic violations punishable by a maximum fine of \$50.**

8 **(2) When a police officer issues a citation for a Class D traffic violation or a specific fine**
9 **traffic violation to a person under 18 years of age whose driving record shows no prior con-**
10 **victions for traffic offenses, the officer shall notify the person that a driver improvement**
11 **course is available and that if the person successfully completes a driver improvement**
12 **course, approved by the Department of Transportation under section 3 of this 2025 Act, at**
13 **the person's own expense, the person will not be convicted of the violation. Notification**
14 **consists of giving the person a form developed by the department, along with the citation**
15 **and summons.**

16 **(3) The department shall develop a form to be given to a person described in subsection**
17 **(2) of this section who is issued a citation. The form must explain that completion of the**
18 **course will enable the person to avoid a conviction and must inform the person of how to**
19 **obtain information about a course.**

20 **(4) In order to avoid conviction of the traffic violation, a person referred to a driver im-**
21 **provement course must complete the course before the court date mentioned in the sum-**
22 **mons.**

23 **(5) When a person has successfully completed a course described in this section, the in-**
24 **structor shall issue a certificate to the person indicating completion. When the person pre-**
25 **sents the certificate of completion to the court, the court shall dismiss the citation.**

26 **(6) The department may adopt rules it deems necessary for the implementation of this**
27 **section.**

28 **SECTION 3. (1) The Department of Transportation by rule shall establish standards for**
29 **a driver improvement course provided to persons pursuant to section 2 of this 2025 Act. 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 standards must describe the contents and quality of a curriculum for the course, specify
2 requirements for obtaining a certificate and otherwise determine the level and depth of
3 knowledge a person must have obtained from the course.

4 (2) The department shall maintain a list of providers approved to lead the course de-
5 scribed in this section and shall update the list monthly. The department shall prescribe
6 procedures for providing the provider list to police officers.

7 SECTION 4. Section 2 of this 2025 Act applies to persons issued citations for traffic vio-
8 lations on or after the effective date of this 2025 Act.

9 SECTION 5. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025
10 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.

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