Requested by Representative JAVADI

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 3962

- In line 2 of the printed bill, after "taxation" insert "; creating new pro-
- 2 visions; amending ORS 320.300, 320.305, 320.350 and 320.360; and prescribing
- 3 an effective date".
- Delete lines 4 through 8 and insert:
- "SECTION 1. ORS 320.350 is amended to read:
- 6 "320.350. (1) A unit of local government that did not impose a local
- 7 transient lodging tax on July 1, 2003, may not impose a local transient
- 8 lodging tax on or after July 2, 2003, unless the imposition of the local tran-
- 9 sient lodging tax was approved on or before July 1, 2003.
- "(2) A unit of local government that imposed a local transient lodging tax
- on July 1, 2003, may not increase the rate of the local transient lodging tax
- on or after July 2, 2003, to a rate that is greater than the rate in effect on
- July 1, 2003, unless the increase was approved on or before July 1, 2003.
- "(3) A unit of local government that imposed a local transient lodging tax
- on July 1, 2003, may not decrease the percentage of total local transient
- lodging tax revenues that are actually expended to fund tourism promotion
- or tourism-related facilities on or after July 2, 2003. A unit of local govern-
- ment that agreed, on or before July 1, 2003, to increase the percentage of
- 19 total local transient lodging tax revenues that are to be expended to fund
- 20 tourism promotion or tourism-related facilities, must increase the percentage
- 21 as agreed.

- "(4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, a unit of local government that is financing debt with local transient lodging tax revenues on November 26, 2003, must continue to finance the debt until the retirement of the debt, including any refinancing of that debt. If the tax is not otherwise permitted under subsection (1) or (2) of this section, at the time of the debt retirement:
- "(a) The local transient lodging tax revenue that financed the debt shall be used as provided in subsection (5) of this section; or
- 9 "(b) The unit of local government shall thereafter eliminate the new tax 10 or increase in tax otherwise described in subsection (1) or (2) of this section.
 - "(5) Subsections (1) [and (2)] to (3) of this section do not apply to a new or increased local transient lodging tax approved on or after July 1, 2003, if all of the net revenue from the new or increased tax, following reductions attributed to collection reimbursement charges, is used consistently with subsection (6) of this section to:
 - "(a) Fund tourism promotion, [or] tourism-related facilities or tourism-impacted services;
 - "(b) Fund city or county services; or

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- "(c) Finance or refinance the debt of tourism-related facilities and pay reasonable administrative costs incurred in financing or refinancing that debt, provided that:
 - "(A) The net revenue may be used for administrative costs only if the unit of local government provides a collection reimbursement charge; and
- "(B) Upon retirement of the debt, the unit of local government reduces the tax by the amount by which the tax was increased to finance or refinance the debt.
- "(6) At least 70 percent of net revenue from a new or increased local transient lodging tax shall be used for the purposes described in subsection (5)(a) or (c) of this section. No more than 30 percent of net revenue from a new or increased local transient lodging tax may be used for the purpose

- described in subsection (5)(b) of this section.
- "SECTION 2. ORS 320.350, as amended by section 1 of this 2025 Act, is amended to read:
- "320.350. (1) A unit of local government that did not impose a local transient lodging tax on July 1, 2003, may not impose a local transient
- 6 lodging tax on or after July 2, 2003, unless the imposition of the local tran-
- 7 sient lodging tax was approved on or before July 1, 2003.
- "(2) A unit of local government that imposed a local transient lodging tax on July 1, 2003, may not increase the rate of the local transient lodging tax on or after July 2, 2003, to a rate that is greater than the rate in effect on July 1, 2003, unless the increase was approved on or before July 1, 2003.
- "(3) A unit of local government that imposed a local transient lodging tax 12 on July 1, 2003, may not decrease the percentage of total local transient 13 lodging tax revenues that are actually expended to fund tourism promotion 14 or tourism-related facilities on or after July 2, 2003. A unit of local govern-15 ment that agreed, on or before July 1, 2003, to increase the percentage of 16 total local transient lodging tax revenues that are to be expended to fund 17 tourism promotion or tourism-related facilities, must increase the percentage 18 19 as agreed.
- "(4) Notwithstanding subsections (1) and (2) of this section, a unit of local government that is financing debt with local transient lodging tax revenues on November 26, 2003, must continue to finance the debt until the retirement of the debt, including any refinancing of that debt. If the tax is not otherwise permitted under subsection (1) or (2) of this section, at the time of the debt retirement:
- "(a) The local transient lodging tax revenue that financed the debt shall be used as provided in subsection (5) of this section; or
- 28 "(b) The unit of local government shall thereafter eliminate the new tax 29 or increase in tax otherwise described in subsection (1) or (2) of this section.
- "(5) Subsections (1) [to (3)] and (2) of this section do not apply to a new

- or increased local transient lodging tax approved on or after July 1, 2003, if
- 2 all of the net revenue from the new or increased tax, following reductions
- 3 attributed to collection reimbursement charges, is used consistently with
- 4 subsection (6) of this section to:
- 5 "(a) Fund tourism promotion[,] or tourism-related facilities [or tourism-
- 6 impacted services];
- 7 "(b) Fund city or county services; or
- 8 "(c) Finance or refinance the debt of tourism-related facilities and pay
- 9 reasonable administrative costs incurred in financing or refinancing that
- 10 debt, provided that:
- "(A) The net revenue may be used for administrative costs only if the unit
- of local government provides a collection reimbursement charge; and
- "(B) Upon retirement of the debt, the unit of local government reduces
- 14 the tax by the amount by which the tax was increased to finance or refinance
- 15 the debt.

- 16 "(6) At least 70 percent of net revenue from a new or increased local
- 17 transient lodging tax shall be used for the purposes described in subsection
- 18 (5)(a) or (c) of this section. No more than 30 percent of net revenue from a
- 19 new or increased local transient lodging tax may be used for the purpose
- 20 described in subsection (5)(b) of this section.
 - "SECTION 3. The amendments to ORS 320.350 by section 2 of this
- 22 2025 Act become operative on January 1, 2036.
- "SECTION 4. ORS 320.300 is amended to read:
- 24 "320.300. As used in ORS 320.300 to 320.365:
- "(1) 'Collection reimbursement charge' means the amount a transient
- lodging tax collector may retain as reimbursement for the costs incurred by
- 27 the transient lodging tax collector in collecting and reporting a transient
- 28 lodging tax and in maintaining transient lodging tax records.
- 29 "(2) 'Community infrastructure' means facilities for water,
- 30 wastewater, transportation, recreation, including but not limited to

- parks, trails and tourism access points, and public amenities, including but not limited to public parking and public restrooms.
- "[(2)] (3) 'Conference center' means a facility that:
- "(a) Is owned or partially owned by a unit of local government, a governmental agency or a nonprofit organization; and
- 6 "(b) Meets the current membership criteria of the International Associ-7 ation of Conference Centers.
- 8 "[(3)] (4) 'Convention center' means a new or improved facility that:
- "(a) Is capable of attracting and accommodating conventions and trade shows from international, national and regional markets requiring exhibition space, ballroom space, meeting rooms and any other associated space, including without limitation banquet facilities, loading areas and lobby and registration areas;
 - "(b) Has a total meeting room and ballroom space between one-third and one-half of the total size of the center's exhibition space;
 - "(c) Generates a majority of its business income from tourists;
- "(d) Has a room-block relationship with the local lodging industry; and
- 18 "(e) Is owned by a unit of local government, a governmental agency or a 19 nonprofit organization.
- "[(4)] (5) 'Local transient lodging tax' means a tax imposed by a unit of local government on the sale, service or furnishing of transient lodging.
 - "(6) 'Public safety' means services provided by the police department, sheriff's office, district attorney's office, fire department, search and rescue or emergency medical services provider of a city, county or special district.
- 26 "[(5)] (7) 'State transient lodging tax' means the tax imposed under ORS 320.305.
- 28 "[(6)] (8) 'Tourism' means economic activity resulting from tourists.
- "(9) 'Tourism-impacted services' means the provision of:
- 30 "(a) Public safety; and

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- "(b) Community infrastructure, including the financing, construction, operation and maintenance of the infrastructure.
- "[(7)] (10) 'Tourism promotion' means any of the following activities:
- "(a) Advertising, publicizing or distributing information for the purpose of attracting and welcoming tourists;
- 6 "(b) Conducting strategic planning and research necessary to stimulate 7 future tourism development;
- 8 "(c) Operating tourism promotion agencies; and
- 9 "(d) Marketing special events and festivals designed to attract tourists.
- "[(8)] (11) 'Tourism promotion agency' includes:
- "(a) An incorporated nonprofit organization or governmental unit that is responsible for the tourism promotion of a destination on a year-round basis.
- 13 "(b) A nonprofit entity that manages tourism-related economic develop-14 ment plans, programs and projects.
- 15 "(c) A regional or statewide association that represents entities that rely 16 on tourism-related business for more than 50 percent of their total income.
 - "[(9)] (12) 'Tourism-related facility' means:

- 18 "(a) A conference center, convention center or visitor information center; 19 and
- "(b) Other improved real property that has a useful life of 10 or more years and has a substantial purpose of supporting tourism or accommodating tourist activities.
- "[(10)] (13) 'Tourist' means a person who, for business, pleasure, recreation or participation in events related to the arts, heritage or culture, travels from the community in which that person is a resident to a different community that is separate, distinct from and unrelated to the person's community of residence, and that trip:
- 28 "(a) Requires the person to travel more than 50 miles from the community 29 of residence; or
- 30 "(b) Includes an overnight stay.

- "[(11)] (14) 'Transient lodging' means:
- "(a) Hotel, motel and inn dwelling units that are used for temporary overnight human occupancy;
- "(b) Spaces used for parking recreational vehicles or erecting tents during periods of human occupancy; or
- "(c) Houses, cabins, condominiums, apartment units or other dwelling units, or portions of any of these dwelling units, that are used for temporary human occupancy.
- "[(12)] (15) 'Transient lodging intermediary' means a person other than a transient lodging provider that facilitates the retail sale of transient lodging and:
- "(a) Charges for occupancy of the transient lodging;
- 13 "(b) Collects the consideration charged for occupancy of the transient 14 lodging; or
- "(c) Receives a fee or commission and requires the transient lodging provider to use a specified third-party entity to collect the consideration charged for occupancy of the transient lodging.
- "[(13)] (16) 'Transient lodging provider' means a person that furnishes transient lodging.
- "[(14)] (17) 'Transient lodging tax collector' means a transient lodging provider or a transient lodging intermediary.
- "[(15)] (18) 'Unit of local government' has the meaning given that term in ORS 190.003.
- "[(16)] (19) 'Visitor information center' means a building, or a portion of a building, the main purpose of which is to distribute or disseminate information to tourists.
- "SECTION 5. ORS 320.300, as amended by section 4 of this 2025 Act, is amended to read:
- 29 "320.300. As used in ORS 320.300 to 320.365:
- "(1) 'Collection reimbursement charge' means the amount a transient

- 1 lodging tax collector may retain as reimbursement for the costs incurred by
- 2 the transient lodging tax collector in collecting and reporting a transient
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 - "(c) Generates a majority of its business income from tourists;
- "(d) Has a room-block relationship with the local lodging industry; and
- 23 "(e) Is owned by a unit of local government, a governmental agency or a 24 nonprofit organization.
- "[(5)] (4) 'Local transient lodging tax' means a tax imposed by a unit of local government on the sale, service or furnishing of transient lodging.
- "[(6) 'Public safety' means services provided by the police department, sheriff's office, district attorney's office, fire department, search and rescue or emergency medical services provider of a city, county or special district.]
 - "[(7)] (5) 'State transient lodging tax' means the tax imposed under ORS

- 1 320.305.
- "[(8)] (6) 'Tourism' means economic activity resulting from tourists.
- "[(9) 'Tourism-impacted services' means the provision of:]
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- "[(b) Community infrastructure, including the financing, construction, op-
- 6 eration and maintenance of the infrastructure.]
- 7 "[(10)] (7) 'Tourism promotion' means any of the following activities:
- 8 "(a) Advertising, publicizing or distributing information for the purpose
- 9 of attracting and welcoming tourists;
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- 21 "[(12)] (9) 'Tourism-related facility' means:
- 22 "(a) A conference center, convention center or visitor information center; 23 and
- "(b) Other improved real property that has a useful life of 10 or more years and has a substantial purpose of supporting tourism or accommodating tourist activities.
- "[(13)] (10) 'Tourist' means a person who, for business, pleasure, recreation or participation in events related to the arts, heritage or culture, travels from the community in which that person is a resident to a different community that is separate, distinct from and unrelated to the person's

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- "[(15)] (12) 'Transient lodging intermediary' means a person other than a transient lodging provider that facilitates the retail sale of transient lodging and:
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- "[(18)] (15) 'Unit of local government' has the meaning given that term in ORS 190.003.
- "[(19)] (16) 'Visitor information center' means a building, or a portion of a building, the main purpose of which is to distribute or disseminate information to tourists.

"SECTION 6. The amendments to ORS 320.300 by section 5 of this 2 2025 Act become operative on January 1, 2036.

"SECTION 7. ORS 320.305 is amended to read:

- "320.305. (1)(a) A tax of 1.5 percent is imposed on any consideration charged for the sale, service or furnishing of transient lodging.
- "(b)(A) The tax must be computed on the total retail price, including all charges other than taxes, paid by a person for occupancy of the transient lodging.
- "(B) The total retail price paid by a person for occupancy of transient lodging that is part of a travel package may be determined by reasonable and verifiable standards from books and records kept in the ordinary course of the transient lodging tax collector's business.
- 13 "(2) The tax imposed under this section becomes due when the occupancy 14 of the transient lodging with respect to which the tax is imposed ends.
- "(3)(a) The tax shall be collected by the transient lodging provider or transient lodging intermediary that collects the consideration charged for occupancy of the transient lodging, or a transient lodging intermediary described in ORS 320.300 [(12)(c)] (15)(c), as applicable.
- "(b) The transient lodging tax collector may withhold a collection reimbursement charge of five percent of the amount collected under this subsection.
- 22 "(4) The tax imposed under this section is in addition to and not in lieu 23 of any local transient lodging tax.
- "SECTION 8. ORS 320.305, as amended by section 7 of this 2025 Act, is amended to read:
- 26 "320.305. (1)(a) A tax of 1.5 percent is imposed on any consideration 27 charged for the sale, service or furnishing of transient lodging.
- "(b)(A) The tax must be computed on the total retail price, including all charges other than taxes, paid by a person for occupancy of the transient lodging.

- "(B) The total retail price paid by a person for occupancy of transient lodging that is part of a travel package may be determined by reasonable and verifiable standards from books and records kept in the ordinary course of the transient lodging tax collector's business.
- 5 "(2) The tax imposed under this section becomes due when the occupancy 6 of the transient lodging with respect to which the tax is imposed ends.
- "(3)(a) The tax shall be collected by the transient lodging provider or transient lodging intermediary that collects the consideration charged for occupancy of the transient lodging, or a transient lodging intermediary described in ORS 320.300 [(15)(c)] (12)(c), as applicable.
- "(b) The transient lodging tax collector may withhold a collection reimbursement charge of five percent of the amount collected under this subsection.
- 14 "(4) The tax imposed under this section is in addition to and not in lieu 15 of any local transient lodging tax.
 - "SECTION 9. The amendments to ORS 320.305 by section 8 of this 2025 Act become operative on January 1, 2036.
 - **"SECTION 10.** ORS 320.360 is amended to read:
- "320.360. (1) The transient lodging provider or transient lodging interme-19 diary that collects the consideration charged for occupancy of transient 20 lodging, or a transient lodging intermediary described in ORS 320.300 21 [(12)(c)] (15)(c), as applicable, is responsible for collecting any local transient 22 lodging tax and shall file a return of the tax with the unit of local govern-23 ment that imposes the tax, or with any tax administrator identified by the 24 unit of local government, reporting the amount of tax due with respect to 25 26 all occupancy of transient lodging that ended during the reporting period to which the return relates. 27
- "(2) Returns shall be filed on or before the deadline fixed by the unit of local government for filing returns and shall be made under penalties for false swearing.

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- "(3) When a return is required under this section, the transient lodging tax collector required to file the return shall remit the tax due to the unit of local government at the time fixed for filing returns.
- "(4) This section applies to a transient lodging tax collector unless a charter provision or ordinance or resolution of the unit of local government, or an agreement entered into between the transient lodging tax collector and the unit of local government, provides otherwise.
- 8 "SECTION 11. ORS 320.360, as amended by section 10 of this 2025 Act, 9 is amended to read:
- "320.360. (1) The transient lodging provider or transient lodging interme-10 diary that collects the consideration charged for occupancy of transient 11 lodging, or a transient lodging intermediary described in ORS 320.300 12 [(15)(c)] (12)(c), as applicable, is responsible for collecting any local transient 13 lodging tax and shall file a return of the tax with the unit of local govern-14 ment that imposes the tax, or with any tax administrator identified by the 15 unit of local government, reporting the amount of tax due with respect to 16 all occupancy of transient lodging that ended during the reporting period to 17 which the return relates. 18
- "(2) Returns shall be filed on or before the deadline fixed by the unit of local government for filing returns and shall be made under penalties for false swearing.
- "(3) When a return is required under this section, the transient lodging tax collector required to file the return shall remit the tax due to the unit of local government at the time fixed for filing returns.
- "(4) This section applies to a transient lodging tax collector unless a charter provision or ordinance or resolution of the unit of local government, or an agreement entered into between the transient lodging tax collector and the unit of local government, provides otherwise.
- "SECTION 12. The amendments to ORS 320.360 by section 11 of this
 2025 Act become operative on January 1, 2036.

- "SECTION 13. (1)(a) A unit of local government that imposes a local transient lodging tax under ORS 320.345 to 320.365 shall file a biennial report with the Department of Revenue no later than September 1 of each odd-numbered year, beginning in 2027.
- 5 "(b) Upon request by one or more cities or counties, the League of 6 Oregon Cities or the Association of Oregon Counties, respectively, may 7 file the report on behalf of the cities or counties.
- 8 "(2) The report must include the following information with respect 9 to total transient lodging tax revenue:
 - "(a) For the preceding two fiscal years:
 - "(A) The rates imposed;

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- "(B) Total revenue collected;
- "(C) The amount and percentage of revenue used to fund tourism promotion, including revenue expended under agreements with destination management organizations;
- 16 "(D) The amount and percentage of revenue used to fund tourism-17 related facilities; and
- 18 "(E) The amount and percentage of revenue used to fund tourism-19 impacted services;
- 20 "(b) The amount of revenue held in capital reserves, with a de-21 scription of its intended purpose;
- "(c) Any changes to allocation methods or use definitions, including those approved by the voters or unit of local government; and
- 24 "(d) A summary of advisory board meetings or oversight actions, 25 if applicable.
- "(3)(a) Any destination management organization or other entity receiving local transient lodging tax revenue under an agreement entered into with a unit of local government shall submit a biennial report to the unit of local government for inclusion in the biennial report required under subsection (1) of this section.

- "(b) A report required under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall include a description of:
- "(A) The uses of the local transient lodging tax revenue received under the terms of the agreement, including, but not limited to, marketing, staffing and grants;
 - "(B) Performance metrics of tourism promotion, including campaigns executed and audiences reached; and
- 8 "(C) Compliance with the terms of the agreement and key deliver-9 ables satisfied.
 - "(4)(a) The Department of Revenue shall publish reports received under subsection (1) of this section in a publicly accessible database.
 - "(b) The department may submit an aggregate summary of reports received under subsection (1) of this section for each biennium, in the manner provided in ORS 192.245, to the interim committees of the Legislative Assembly related to revenue, economic development and local government.
 - "SECTION 14. The amendments to ORS 320.300, 320.305, 320.350 and 320.360 by sections 2, 5, 8 and 11 of this 2025 Act do not affect any outstanding obligations, audits or reports required under section 13 of this 2025 Act for biennia ending prior to January 2, 2036.
- "SECTION 15. Section 13 of this 2025 Act is repealed on January 2, 2040.
 - "SECTION 16. This 2025 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2025 regular session of the Eighty-third Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.".

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