
ORVDA SUPPORTS HOUSE BILL 2660

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OREGON RV DEALERS ASSOCIATION

Chairs Gorsek and McLain and Members of the Committee:

The Oregon RV Dealers Association (ORVDA) represents Oregon's franchised RV Dealers across the state. Our members provide sales, service, repairs and parts to RV owners whether they live in Oregon, or are visiting Oregon from out-of-state. RVs include pulled trailers, fifth wheels, and self-propelled vehicles.

House Bill 2660, introduced at our request, has a little bit to do with RV dealers, and it has a *lot* to do with tourism and economic development.

Trip permits are issued by dealers, and available on DMV's website, to allow vehicles to move legally on public roads when they do not have a current registration in any jurisdiction. Most vehicle owners may use up to two 21-day permits each year per vehicle. A trip permit is typically used to allow out-of-state purchasers to drive from an Oregon dealership to their home state to register their newly purchased vehicle at home.

But RV purchasers are not allowed this transit privilege. Instead, RV purchasers, and *only* RV purchasers, have a special level of *travel restrictions*. If you buy an RV from a dealer in Oregon, you are only allowed a single 10-day trip permit to drive home, whether home is Washington, California, Texas, Florida or New York.

Rather than inviting RV purchasers to stay in Oregon and recreate (read: spend money and boost local economies) by visiting the coast, Multnomah Falls, Crater Lake or the Painted Hills, we kick them out of the state.

House Bill 2660 will create a new 30-day trip permit only for out-of-state RV purchasers. The new 30-day permit will encourage RV purchasers to take time leaving Oregon, while leisurely leaving their travel dollars at our local resorts, restaurants, and other places heavily reliant on a tourism economy.

To ensure a narrow focus, the bill only allows dealers to issue the 30-day trip permits. They will not be available online. And, only purchasers from out-of-state will receive these 30-day trip permits. This will prevent Oregon RV owners from using this trip permit to avoid registering their RVs in Oregon.

House Bill 2660 is about increasing tourism dollars in Oregon.

House Bill 2660 is about increasing economic development in Oregon.

House Bill 2660 is about supporting small businesses and rural communities across Oregon.

*Please support House Bill 2660. Thank you.
I am happy to answer any questions.*