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INCLUDING STATEMENT OF NEED & FISCAL IMPACT

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
DRIVER AND MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICES DIVISION

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FILING CAPTION: Plate Manufacturing Fee Increase

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The Agency requests public comment on whether other options should be considered for achieving the rule's substantive goals while reducing negative economic impact of the rule on business.

A public rulemaking hearing may be requested in writing by 10 or more people, or by a group with 10 or more members, within 21 days following the publication of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Oregon Bulletin or 28 days from the date the Notice was sent to people on the agency mailing list, whichever is later. If sufficient hearing requests are received, the notice of the date and time of the rulemaking hearing must be published in the Oregon Bulletin at least 14 days before the hearing.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S)

ORS 803.570 requires the department to establish fees for a single vehicle registration plate and a pair of registration plates by determining the cost of manufacturing a single plate or pair of plates and then rounding the cost to the next higher half-dollar. In addition to the cost of manufacturing, the statute also requires the department to add \$10 for a single plate and \$20 for a pair of plates.

OAR 735-032-0010 establishes the plate manufacturing fees as required by ORS 803.570. The department has determined that the cost to manufacture a single plate has crossed the half-dollar threshold and requires the department to round up to the next half-dollar. The cost to manufacture a pair of plates has also increased and results in a one dollar increase, after rounding to the higher half-dollar.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE

None

STATEMENT IDENTIFYING HOW ADOPTION OF RULE(S) WILL AFFECT RACIAL EQUITY IN THIS STATE

This rulemaking increases the manufacturing fee for a single registration plate and a pair of registration plates. The fee increase will be applied to every registration plate transaction that requires a new registration plate. The proposed change will affect people of all races equally. The change will be more burdensome for people who are low-income earners, regardless of race.

FISCAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACT:

See statements below.

COST OF COMPLIANCE:

(1) Identify any state agencies, units of local government, and members of the public likely to be economically affected by the rule(s). (2) Effect on Small Businesses: (a) Estimate the number and type of small businesses subject to the rule(s); (b) Describe the expected reporting, recordkeeping and administrative activities and cost required to comply with the rule(s); (c) Estimate the cost of professional services, equipment supplies, labor and increased administration required to comply with the rule(s).

(1) State agencies, units of local government and the public will pay \$0.50 more for a single plate and \$1.00 more for a pair of plates. DMV implementation costs are approximately \$12,000.

(2) Small businesses will have to pay an extra \$0.50 for a single plate and \$1.00 for each pair of plates purchased. The cost to small businesses depends on the number of vehicles the small business needs to get new registration plates.

(2)(a) The number of small businesses subject to the rule is not limited by type of business or industry. All small businesses that purchase a single plate or pair of plates are subject to the rule. DMV's records do not quantify the number of small businesses who purchase a single plate or a pair of plates.

(2)(b) and (c) None

DESCRIBE HOW SMALL BUSINESSES WERE INVOLVED IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THESE RULE(S):

DMV sent draft rules to 14 organizations representing small businesses and no responses were received.

WAS AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSULTED? NO IF NOT, WHY NOT?

The amendments to the rule are a result of calculating the cost of manufacturing a single plate and pair of registration plates as required by statute. Therefore there were no issues to discuss with a rule advisory committee.

AMEND: 735-032-0010

RULE SUMMARY: The department has determined that the cost to manufacture a single plate has crossed the half-dollar threshold and requires the department to round up to the next half-dollar. The cost to manufacture a pair of plates has also increased and results in a one dollar increase, after rounding to the higher half-dollar.

CHANGES TO RULE:

735-032-0010

Registration Plate Fees ¶¶

(1) ORS 803.570 requires DMV to establish the fee amounts for each registration plate issued and for each pair of plates issued.¶¶

(2) The plate fee amounts are calculated by:¶¶

(a) Determining the cost to manufacture a single registration plate and a pair of registration plates (cost), respectively, and rounding the cost amount(s) to the next higher half-dollar; and¶¶

(b) Adding \$10 for a single plate and \$20 for a pair of plates, respectively.¶¶

(3) Based on the calculation under section (2) of this rule, registration plate fees are:¶¶

(a) \$12.50 for a single plate issued (\$2.50 cost + \$10 = \$12.50).¶¶

(b) \$245.50 for a pair of plates issued (\$45.50 cost + \$20 = \$245.50).

Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 184.619, 802.010, 803.570

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 803.570