



**Informational Bulletin 2021-01**

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To: X-ray Registrants

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**Subject: Oregon Health Authority (OHA)-Radiation Protection Services (RPS) Pending X-ray Registration Fee Increases**

The Center for Health Protection, Radiation Protection Services (RPS) is releasing this informational bulletin to advise X-Ray Registrants of pending registration fee increases.

Due to on-going program expenditure increases (i.e., personnel compensation, equipment maintenance, fleet and rent charges) and flat legislative approved program funding, the Oregon Legislature recognized there is an essential need to create sustainable funding for upcoming biennia in order for RPS to continue conducting health and safety regulatory inspections, issuing licenses and meeting emergency response requirements. The last fee increases were in 2015.

In June 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed House Bill (HB) 2075 and it was subsequently enacted by the Governor. HB 2075 amends ORS 453.757(1) restructuring the current X-ray registrant user-fee schedule to be X-ray "tube based", versus a facility machine control panel fee. It assures that RPS is being appropriately compensated and that Registrants are paying a fee based upon the RPS staff inspection time required to ensure safe machine operation and to reflect higher tube energy levels which present potential for increased patient, operator, and public harm.

Per amended ORS 453.757(1), the Oregon Health Authority shall impose the following biennial registration fees for a registration issued under ORS 453.752: (a) For a dental, academic, or veterinary X-ray tube, \$210; (b) For an industrial or podiatry X-ray tube, \$285; (c) For a hospital, radiological, chiropractic, osteopathic, or medical X-ray tube, \$427; (d) For a computed tomography X-ray tube, \$600; (e) For a mammography X-ray tube, \$800; and (f) for a therapy or interventional X-ray tube, \$1000; The increased X-ray registration fees will become operative on January 1, 2022.

In lieu of registration billing this Fall, 2021, RPS is extending the current validation certificates through February 28, 2022. Invoices will be sent on January 1, 2022 to registrants for review and to be returned with payment no later than March 1, 2022.

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In the interim, RPS will complete a rulemaking process to ensure Oregon Administrative Rules are compatible with the new statute, including a public hearing in November 2021. The date and time of the Public Hearing will be posted on the RPS and Secretary of State websites.

If you need further clarification, please feel free to contact, Radiation Protection Services, Todd Carpenter at 971-673-0500 or email; [todd.s.carpenter@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:todd.s.carpenter@dhsoha.state.or.us) or Judy Smith at 971-673-0507 or email, [judith.a.smith@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:judith.a.smith@dhsoha.state.or.us).