

Senate Bill 317

Sponsored by Senator SCHRADER (at the request of Oregon Veterinary Medical Association, Oregon Humane Society)

SUMMARY

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Prohibits carrying animal on external part of vehicle except under specified circumstances. Punishes by maximum fine of \$90.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to transportation of animals; creating new provisions; and repealing 811.200.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2005 Act is added to and made a part of the Oregon Vehicle**
5 **Code.**

6 **SECTION 2. (1) A person commits the offense of carrying an animal on the external part**
7 **of a motor vehicle if the person is operating a motor vehicle on a highway and the person**
8 **is carrying an animal in the open bed of the motor vehicle or upon the hood, fender, running**
9 **board or other external part of the motor vehicle.**

10 **(2) Notwithstanding subsection (1) of this section, a person may carry an animal on the**
11 **external part of a motor vehicle if the animal is:**

12 **(a) Cross tethered to the motor vehicle.**

13 **(b) Protected by a secured container or cage in a manner that prevents the animal from**
14 **falling, jumping or being thrown from the motor vehicle.**

15 **(c) Livestock.**

16 **(d) A dog, and the motor vehicle is on a highway that is not an interstate highway or**
17 **within the city limits of a city with a population of 5,000 or more if:**

18 **(A) The dog is being transported for ranching or farming purposes; or**

19 **(B) The owner of the dog is operating the motor vehicle and either owns or is employed**
20 **by a ranching or farming operation.**

21 **(3) The offense described in this section, carrying an animal on the external part of a**
22 **motor vehicle, is a Class D traffic violation.**

23 **SECTION 3. ORS 811.200 is repealed.**
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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.