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APPELLATE COURT FEES

21.010 Filing and appearance fees on appeal. The appellant in a civil case, upon taking an appeal to the Supreme Court or the Court of Appeals, shall pay the sum of \$25 in the manner prescribed by ORS 19.035. The respondent in such case, upon entering his first appearance or filing his first brief in the court, shall pay to the clerk of the court the sum of \$15. The party entitled to costs and disbursements on such appeal shall recover from his opponent the amount so paid.

[Amended by 1963 c.556 §1; 1967 c.398 §3; 1969 c.198 §50]

21.020 Fees for copies of papers, and for affixing seal. For making and certifying to a copy of any opinion, pleading, judgment, decree, paper or record of his office for private parties, and not in the course of the regular court proceedings, the State Court Administrator shall collect the sum of 15 cents for each page. For affixing the seal of the court where not in the course of the regular court proceedings he shall collect \$1. [Amended by 1967 c.398 §4; 1969 c.198 §51; 1971 c.193 §25]

21.030 [Repealed by 1967 c.398 §10]

21.040 Filing fees in cases of original jurisdiction. In cases of original jurisdiction in the Supreme Court, the plaintiff or moving party shall pay \$25 and the defendant or respondent shall pay \$15 on the filing of their first paper. [Amended by 1967 c.398 §5]

21.050 Disposition of fees. All fees and other moneys received or collected by the State Court Administrator by virtue of his office shall be paid over to the State Treasurer as provided in ORS 8.130. [Amended by 1969 c.198 §52; 1971 c.193 §26]

**CIRCUIT COURT FEES
(OTHER THAN PROBATE
MATTERS)**

21.110 Filing and appearance fees. At the time of filing, in the circuit court of any county any suit, action or proceeding for the enforcement of private rights, including appeals, but not including any matters in the probate department of those courts having probate jurisdiction, and not including proceedings for adoption or change of name, the county clerk or clerk of the circuit court shall exact from the plaintiff, appellant or moving party the sum of \$20 as a flat and uniform

filing fee. The clerk shall also, at the time of filing any appearance in any such suit, action or proceeding upon the part of any defendant or respondent appearing separately, or for the defendants or respondents appearing jointly, exact from such party or parties the sum of \$10 as a flat and uniform filing fee. No paper or pleading shall be deemed filed unless the required fee is paid. No part of any such filing fee shall be refunded to any party. The uniform fee shall cover all services to be performed by the court or clerk in any such suit, action or proceeding, except where additional fees are specially authorized by law. [Amended by 1955 c.458 §1; 1959 c.563 §2; 1965 c.619 §8; 1971 c.621 §1; 1975 c.607 §1; 1979 c.833 §3]

21.112 Fee for filing domestic relations suit in county with conciliation services. In all counties wherein the court is providing conciliation services, there shall be collected by the county clerk of such county at the time of the filing in the circuit court of a domestic relations suit (as defined in ORS 107.510), in addition to all other fees collected, a fee of \$50 to assist in defraying the costs of the program of conciliation services provided by ORS 107.510 to 107.610. However, these fees shall not be considered as part of the fees in ORS 21.110. [1963 c.434 §11; 1971 c.280 §20; 1975 c.607 §2; 1979 c.833 §4]

21.115 [Formerly 21.210; 1965 c.619 §9; renumbered 21.375]

21.120 Additional fees; disposition. (1) There shall be collected by the county clerk at the time of filing of any suit, action or proceeding in the circuit court, other than proceedings in the probate department of those courts having probate jurisdiction, a fee of \$7, in addition to all other fees; and from each defendant appearing separately in any such suit, action or proceeding, a fee of \$4 in addition to all other fees.

(2) On the first working day of each month, the clerk shall forward all money so collected during the preceding month to the State Treasurer, with a detailed statement showing the purposes for which the fees were paid. The money shall be deposited in the General Fund and become available for general governmental expenses. [Amended by 1959 c.453 §1; 1963 c.519 §6; 1965 c.619 §10; 1967 c.111 §2; 1971 c.621 §2]

21.130 Fee in divorce suits and annulment proceedings; disposition. (1) There shall be collected by the county clerk at

the time of the filing in the circuit court of each divorce suit or proceeding for having a marriage declared void, in addition to all other fees collected, a fee of \$25.

(2) On the first working day of each month, the clerk shall forward all money so collected during the preceding month to the county treasurer, with a detailed statement showing the purposes for which the fees were paid. The money shall be deposited in the county general fund and become available for general governmental expenses. [Amended by 1959 c.678 §1; 1963 c.519 §7; 1965 c.619 §11; 1967 c.111 §3; 1971 c.61 §1; 1979 c.631 §1]

21.140 [Amended by 1961 c.563 §1; 1963 c.519 §8; 1965 c.619 §12; renumbered 21.350]

21.150 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §9; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.210 [Amended by 1955 c.458 §2; renumbered 21.115 and then 21.375]

21.220 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §10; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.230 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §11; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.240 [Amended by 1959 c.563 §3; 1963 c.519 §12; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.250 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §13, repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.260 [Amended by 1959 c.563 §4; 1963 c.519 §14; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.270 Trial fees, including jury trial fee. (1) In any action, suit or proceeding for the enforcement of private rights in the circuit court, other than proceedings in the probate department, the trial fees are as follows:

(a) The clerk shall exact from the plaintiff, appellant or moving party, at the time the action, suit or proceeding comes on for trial on its merits without a jury, the sum of \$20, trial fee, except in divorce cases where default has been made, when \$10 shall be exacted.

(b) A jury trial fee of \$50 shall be collected for each trial by jury. The clerk shall collect the jury trial fee from the plaintiff or appellant at the time the action, suit or proceeding comes on for trial by a jury. If the plaintiff or appellant waives a trial by jury, and the defendant or respondent desires a trial by jury, the clerk shall collect the jury trial fee from the defendant or respondent. Cases wherein the jury trial fee has not been so paid shall be tried by the court without a jury, unless the court otherwise orders. If a case in which the jury trial fee has not been paid is tried by a

jury by order of court, the clerk shall tax against the losing party as costs, to be collected for the benefit of the county, the sum of \$50. The trial fee of \$20 as provided in paragraph (a) of this subsection shall not be exacted in any case wherein a jury trial fee has been paid by either party and not refunded. The jury trial fee shall not be exacted in criminal actions.

(2) The trial fees provided for in this section shall be paid in advance, deemed disbursements, and may be taxed and collected as other costs and disbursements by the prevailing party. [Amended by 1963 c.519 §15; 1965 c.619 §13; 1971 c.621 §4; 1975 c.607 §4; 1979 c.833 §5]

21.280 [1959 c.563 §1; 1963 c.519 §16; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

PROBATE FEES

21.310 Probate filing fees and trial fee. (1) Except as provided in ORS 114.515, in courts having probate jurisdiction, the county clerk shall charge and collect the following fees before the filing of the initial papers in any proceeding in probate, including petitions for the probate of wills, for letters of administration, and will contest proceedings:

Where the amount of the estate is:

1. Not more than \$1,000—a fee of \$5.
2. More than \$1,000 and not more than \$4,000—a fee of \$15.
3. More than \$4,000 and not more than \$8,000—a fee of \$25.
4. More than \$8,000 and not more than \$25,000—a fee of \$50.
5. More than \$25,000 and not more than \$50,000—a fee of \$100.
6. More than \$50,000 and not more than \$100,000—a fee of \$150.
7. More than \$100,000—a fee of \$200.

(2) In courts having probate jurisdiction, the county clerk shall charge and collect a fee of \$5 at the time of filing a will without a petition for probate.

(3) At the time of filing any answer, demurrer, motion or objection in probate proceedings, the party filing such demurrer, answer, motion or objection shall be required to pay a fee of \$12, and the papers shall not be deemed filed unless such payment is made.

(4) The county clerk also shall exact from the party having the affirmative of the issue, at the time such a proceeding comes on for trial or hearing upon the issues of fact or law involved therein, an additional sum of \$12 as a trial fee, which shall be paid before any such trial or hearing shall be had therein.

(5) In determining fees under this section, the amount of a settlement in a wrongful death action brought for the benefit of the surviving spouse or dependents is not part of the estate. [Amended by 1955 c.458 §3; 1965 c.619 §14; 1971 c.621 §5; 1973 c.506 §1; 1975 c.607 §5; 1979 c.833 §6]

21.313 [1959 c.452 §2; 1967 c.111 §4; repealed by 1969 c.591 §305]

21.315 [Formerly 21.360; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.320 Appearance fees in adoption or change of name proceedings. There shall be payable to the office of the county clerk an original appearance fee in adoption proceedings, and an original appearance fee of \$10 in change of name proceedings. [Amended by 1963 c.519 §17; 1965 c.619 §15; 1967 c.534 §10; 1971 c.621 §6; 1975 c.607 §6; 1979 c.833 §7]

21.330 [Amended by 1961 c.563 §2; 1963 c.519 §18; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

21.340 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §19; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

LAW LIBRARY FEES

21.350 Law library fees. (1) In counties containing more than 400,000 inhabitants, according to the latest federal decennial census, or when directed as provided in ORS 9.840, it shall be the duty of the county clerk to collect in each civil suit, action or proceeding filed in the circuit, district or county court a law library fee which shall be determined by the county court or board of county commissioners in an amount not greater than 40 percent of the filing fee provided by law. This fee shall be collected in the same manner as other fees are collected in the suit, action or proceeding, and is in addition to the other fees provided by law.

(2) The fee provided in subsection (1) of this section may be collected if the county owns and maintains, or hereafter may acquire, own or maintain under the provisions of ORS 9.840 and 9.850, a law library at the county seat, available at all reasonable times to the use of litigants, and permitted to be used by all attorneys at law duly admitted to

practice in this state, without additional fees to such litigants or attorneys. [Formerly 21.140; 1973 c.381 §6]

21.360 [Amended by 1955 c.458 §4; renumbered 21.315]

21.370 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §20; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

CLERK FEES

21.375 Clerk fees. In the circuit, district or county court there shall be charged and collected in advance by the county clerk, as clerk of the court, for the benefit of the county, the following fees, and no more, for the following purposes and services:

(1) Taking depositions, for each folio, \$3.

(2) Making transcription from judgment docket in the format provided in ORS 18.030, \$4.

(3) Filing and docketing transcript of judgment in the format provided in ORS 18.030, \$4.

(4) Filing and marking a certified copy of declaration to become a citizen of the United States, for each page, \$2.

(5) Issuing writs of garnishment and issuing writs of execution, for no more than two each case, each day, a fee of \$2. For each additional multiple or portion thereof of two writs of garnishment or execution issued in that case, \$2.

(6) For any service not enumerated in this section, the fees provided under ORS 205.320.

[Formerly 21.210 and then 21 115; 1971 c.621 §7; 1975 c.607 §8; 1979 c.833 §8]

21.380 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §21; repealed by 1965 c.619 §39]

SHERIFF AND PROCESS SERVER FEES

21.410 Sheriff and process server fees for services in civil actions, suits and proceedings. (1) The sheriff of every county and any other person serving process, in all civil actions, suits and proceedings, for each case delivered to his office on one day, shall collect in advance the following fees:

(a) For serving summons, subpoena, citation, order, notice or similar documents, including small claims or writ of execution and garnishment, directed to not more than two different parties, \$12.50. When more than two

parties are to be served, \$12.50 for each additional two parties, or part thereof.

(b) For serving notice of seizure and sale of personal or real property, writ of restitution, or other seizure under writ of attachment or execution, or other process or proceeding, \$12.50.

(c) For seizure and sale of personal or real property, enforcement of writ of restitution, or other enforcement or seizure under writ of attachment or execution, or other process or proceeding, \$37.50, and, in addition, such sums as may be reasonable and necessary to secure each keeper or custodian of property in custody, the expense of inventory of property in custody and expense incurred in newspaper advertising required by law in the execution of process.

(d) Sheriff's fees and disbursements, as provided in this section, incurred after the docketing of a judgment, shall be added to the judgment and collected from the judgment debtor.

(e) For making a conveyance of real property sold on any process, \$12.50, to be paid by, or for, the grantee.

(f) For making a copy of any process, order, notice or other instrument in writing, when necessary to complete the service thereof, for each folio, \$2.50; but no charge shall be made for copy of complaint or other paper not actually made by the sheriff.

(g) For entering and processing distraint warrants for state agencies, \$5 each.

(2) The fees for service may be paid to the clerk at the time of filing of the process when the process is to be served within that county. The clerk shall indorse upon the process when the sheriff's fees have been received and at the end of each month furnish to the sheriff a statement of all service fees collected.

(3) Fees collected for service shall be retained by the sheriff or clerk for the benefit of the county where the party to be served cannot be found.

(4) No mileage or commission shall be collected for service of any document or process but in any service involving travel in excess of 100 miles round trip an additional fee of \$10 shall be billed and collected.

[Amended by 1959 c.620 §1; 1965 c.619 §16; 1969 c.252 §1, 1973 c.393 §1, 1975 c.607 §9; 1977 c.547 §1; 1979 c.833 §9]

21.420 Itemized statement of fees. The return on any summons, process, subpoena or other paper served by a sheriff shall be accompanied by a subjoined itemized statement of the charges made for the service thereof, including the mileage actually and necessarily traveled in making the service.

REPORTER FEES

21.460 Reporter per diem. Whenever, in a cause in the circuit court, either party, or the parties jointly, shall request the taking of notes of the proceedings, as provided in ORS 8.340, or the judge upon his own motion orders the taking of such notes, there shall be charged to the litigants, as a reporter's fee, a per diem of \$50 for each day the reporter is actually in attendance for more than a half day. In cases occupying a half day or less, there shall be charged \$25 per diem. The clerk of the court shall collect the reporter's fees from the party requesting the services of the reporter, but when the services are required by the judge upon his own motion, the clerk shall collect the reporter's fees from the parties, and each party shall pay an equal proportionate share thereof. All sums so collected shall be turned into the treasury of the county. The reporter's fees shall be taxable as costs in the case. [Amended by 1961 c.446 §1; 1975 c.607 §10; 1979 c.833 §10]

21.470 Transcript fees. (1) The fees of the official reporter of the circuit court for preparing transcripts on appeal as provided in ORS 8.350 shall be not more than \$2 per page for the original copy, such page to consist of 25 lines with margins of one and one-half inches on the left-hand side and one-half inch on the right-hand side, not more than 25 cents per page for one copy of the original, and not more than 25 cents per page for each additional copy, and shall be paid forthwith by the parties or party for whose benefit ordered, and when paid shall be taxed as other costs in the case; provided, that when the defendant in any criminal cause who has perfected an appeal from judgment against him presents to the judge satisfactory proof, by affidavit or otherwise, that he is unable to pay for such transcript, the judge, if in his opinion justice will be thereby promoted, may order the transcript to be made; and in all cases where transcript shall be ordered by the court, where not asked by the parties, the same shall be paid for out of the county treasury in the same

manner as provided in ORS 8.390 for the payment of per diem compensation.

(2) Where the court provides personnel to prepare transcripts from audio recordings of court proceedings the transcript fees provided in subsection (1) of this section shall be paid to the clerk of the court. [Amended by 1959 c.446 §1; 1971 c.565 §15; 1973 c.195 §1; 1979 c.833 §11]

REFEREE FEES

21.510 Referee fees. The fees of referees shall be fixed by the court, but the parties may agree in writing upon any other rate of compensation and thereupon such rate shall be allowed.

RECORDING FEE

21.520 Instruments to be recorded; fees. (1) The county clerk shall record the following instruments required or permitted to be filed and entered in the office of the county clerk:

(a) Financing statements filed in the office of the county clerk under ORS 79.4010;

(b) Hospital liens filed under ORS 87.565;

(c) Federal tax liens and certificates and notices affecting federal tax liens filed under ORS 87.806;

(d) Cooperative contracts filed under ORS 62.360;

(e) Special district assessments attaching to real property; and

(f) Lien foreclosure statements filed under ORS 87.202.

(2) The county clerk shall charge and collect fees specified in subsection (1) of ORS 205.320 for recording any instrument required to be recorded under subsection (1) of this section.

(3) Separate indexes may be maintained for instruments recorded under subsection (1) of this section in order to provide for quick location. [1979 c.429 §1]

Note: 21.520 and 21.530 were enacted into law by the Legislative Assembly but were not added to or made a part of ORS chapter 21 or any series therein by legislative action. See the Preface to Oregon Revised Statutes for further explanation

21.530 Filing requirement as recording requirement. Any requirement by the laws of this state that an instrument described in ORS 21.520 be filed in the office of

the county clerk shall be considered to be a requirement that such instruments be recorded instead of being filed. [1979 c.429 §2]

Note: See note under 21.520

LIABILITY FOR AND PAYMENT OF FEES

21.560 Exemption of governmental units and public corporations, and their officers, from filing and appearance fees. Neither the State of Oregon, nor any county, school district, municipal corporation or other public corporation therein, nor any officer of any such public political division or corporation, appearing in his representative capacity, shall be required to pay the fees prescribed in ORS 21.110.

21.570 Exemption of state and counties from trial fees. When the state or any county therein is a party to a judicial proceeding, it need not pay the trial fee prescribed in ORS 21.310, but if it is entitled to recover costs therein, the fee shall be allowed and taxed as a disbursement, and collected off the adverse party as in ordinary cases. [Amended by 1965 c.619 §17; 1967 c.398 §6]

21.580 Exemption of state, county or city from certain fees. Except as provided in ORS 182.040, 182.050 and 182.060, none of the fees fixed by ORS 21.270, 21.375 or 205.320 for services in the circuit court shall be collected from the state, or from the county or city in which the court is located. [Amended by 1965 c.619 §18]

21.590 Necessity for payment of trial and district attorney fees. Parties to judicial proceedings are required to contribute towards the expense of maintaining courts of justice, or a particular action, suit, or proceeding therein, by the payment of the trial and district attorney fees provided for in this chapter.

21.600 When and by whom trial fee to be paid in circuit and county courts; exemption of indigents; fee as disbursement. (1) The trial fee prescribed in ORS 21.310 is to be paid by the plaintiff, appellant or moving party, before he is entitled to or can claim the trial or other proceeding upon which the fee is imposed. If the party paying such fee prevails in the action, suit or proceeding, so as to be entitled to recover costs therein, the fee shall be allowed and taxed as a dis-

bursement, and collected off the adverse party.

(2) If at any time it appears to the satisfaction of the court or judge thereof, from the affidavit of the party or other evidence, that he cannot pay the trial fee, the court or judge may direct that he be allowed to proceed without the prepayment thereof; but if such party prevails so as to be entitled to collect costs, the fee shall be taxed as a disbursement, and when collected off the adverse party shall be retained by the clerk as if paid in advance.

[Amended by 1965 c.619 §19, 1967 c.398 §7]

21.605 Waiver of fees and costs for indigents; payment by State Court Administrator. (1) A circuit, district or justice's court, the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court, upon application of a party thereto, shall waive all filing fees, service fees and court costs applicable to the particular suit or proceeding if the court finds that the party is unable to pay such fees and costs. Nothing in this section shall prevent the court having jurisdiction over the case from ordering either party to pay such fees and costs. No filing fee shall be required for the application of waiver of such fees and costs.

(2) If the fees or costs for a party to a civil case are waived under subsection (1) of this section, the court may also order that the expense of preparing the record and transcript on appeal be paid by the State Court Administrator and the same shall be paid when authorized by the State Court Administrator. If costs are awarded to a party for whom the State Court Administrator has paid expenses under this subsection, any portion of the costs awarded for the expense of preparing the record and transcript on appeal shall be ordered in favor of the State Court Administrator.

(3) In a case where the fees and costs are waived or paid as set forth in this section, judgment shall be rendered as in other cases, but the state shall not be liable for the payment of any costs or fees so awarded. [1969 c 288 §1; 1973 c.67 §1; 1977 c 416 §2]

21.610 [Amended by 1963 c.519 §22; repealed by 1965 c 619 §39]

21.620 Charging of fees in Multnomah County Circuit Court; record of charges and payments. In the circuit court in counties having a population of more than 400,000, according to the latest federal decennial census, other than in the probate depart-

ment of the court, all fees pertaining to the trial and those for entering judgment or decree, including making and filing the judgment roll, shall be charged to, and paid by the plaintiff or appellant in the first instance. The clerk shall enter in the register described in ORS 7.020, in addition to the entries required by that section, under the date of service, the charge for each service rendered and performed, for which a fee is prescribed in ORS 21.375 or 205.320 for services in the circuit court, other than the probate department, and also all sums of money paid or advanced by each party on account of fees. The debits and credits of each party shall be kept, as nearly as practicable, separate from each other, and the register shall be ruled accordingly.

[Amended by 1963 c.519 §23; 1965 c 619 §20]

21.630 [Repealed by 1955 c.458 §5]

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21.660 Advance payment of, or security for, fees for services in court proceedings. Except as provided in ORS 20.140, and except the fees for which advance payment or a deposit is otherwise required by law, every officer, witness, or other person required to do or perform any act or service for any party to any action, suit or proceeding in a court of justice in this state shall be entitled to demand and receive from such party the compensation which the law allows therefor in advance; but a party may at his option pay the fees of the officers of the court in advance, or give such officers an undertaking with sufficient sureties therefor. The fees secured to the officers, or any of them, by any party to the judgment or decree, may be collected by an execution against the property of such party and that of his sureties in the undertaking therefor. Such officers' execution may issue in the name of the clerk as plaintiff in the writ, and for the benefit of all officers to whom fees are so due and secured, whenever an execution might issue to enforce the judgment or decree at the instance of the prevailing party.

21.670 Duty of officer receiving fees to give receipted cost bill. An officer receiving fees for any official services must, upon demand, give the party paying the same a receipted bill thereof, specifying the items of such fees.

MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AS TO FEES

21.710 "Folio" defined. As used in this chapter, "folio" means 100 words, counting two figures as one word. Any portion of a folio, when the whole paper contains less than a folio, or when such portion is an excess over the last folio, shall be deemed a folio.

21.720 Fee for service when no compensation is provided. When any service shall be performed by an officer or person appointed by the circuit or Supreme Court, for which no compensation is provided by law, the officer or person shall be entitled to such fee or compensation as the court may direct and order. When under like circumstances such service shall be performed otherwise than in the circuit or Supreme Court, the compensation shall be prescribed and ordered by the county court of the proper county.

21.730 Per diem and mileage for private persons performing services by law or in execution of process. All private persons performing services required by law or in the execution of legal process, when no express provision is made for their compensation shall be entitled to \$3 for each day so employed, and mileage for any necessary travel, going and returning, at the rate of eight cents a mile, and no more.

Note: Sections 1 to 3 and 5 of chapter 112, Oregon Laws 1977, relating to certain fees to be collected for legal aid programs, provide.

Sec. 1. In all counties wherein legal representation is provided for the poor without fee by a nonprofit legal

aid program organized under the auspices of the Oregon State Bar, the county bar association or the Legal Services Corporation Act (Public Law 93-355 or successor legislation), there shall be collected by the county clerk from the plaintiff or other moving party in each civil suit, action or proceeding in the circuit court at the time of filing of the first paper therein, in addition to all other fees collected and in the same manner, the sum of \$5 to assist in defraying the operative costs of such legal aid program.

Sec. 2. In all counties where a district court is maintained, and in which fees are collected pursuant to section 1 of this Act by the clerk of the circuit court in civil cases to defray the costs of a nonprofit legal aid program organized under the auspices of the county or state bar association or the Legal Services Corporation Act or successor legislation, the clerk of the district court shall collect from the plaintiff or other moving party in each civil suit, action or proceeding filed in the court at the time of filing the first paper therein, in addition to all other fees collected and in the same manner, the sum of \$1 to assist in defraying the operative costs of such legal aid program.

Sec. 3. (1) All fees collected pursuant to sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall be turned over daily to the county treasurer of the county where collected.

(2) The county treasurer shall each month pay the money turned over to him pursuant to subsection (1) of this section, to the director of the legal aid program for that county and take his receipt therefor.

Sec. 5. The provisions of sections 1 and 2 of this Act shall be effective only until July 1, 1983.

PENALTIES

21.990 Penalties. Any officer refusing or neglecting to comply with ORS 21.670 shall be liable to the party demanding the receipt for a penalty of \$25.

CERTIFICATE OF LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL

Pursuant to ORS 173.170, I, Thomas G. Clifford, Legislative Counsel, do hereby certify that I have compared each section printed in this chapter with the original section in the enrolled bill, and that the sections in this chapter are correct copies of the enrolled sections, with the exception of the changes in form permitted by ORS 173.160 and other changes specifically authorized by law
Done at Salem, Oregon,
October 1, 1979.

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