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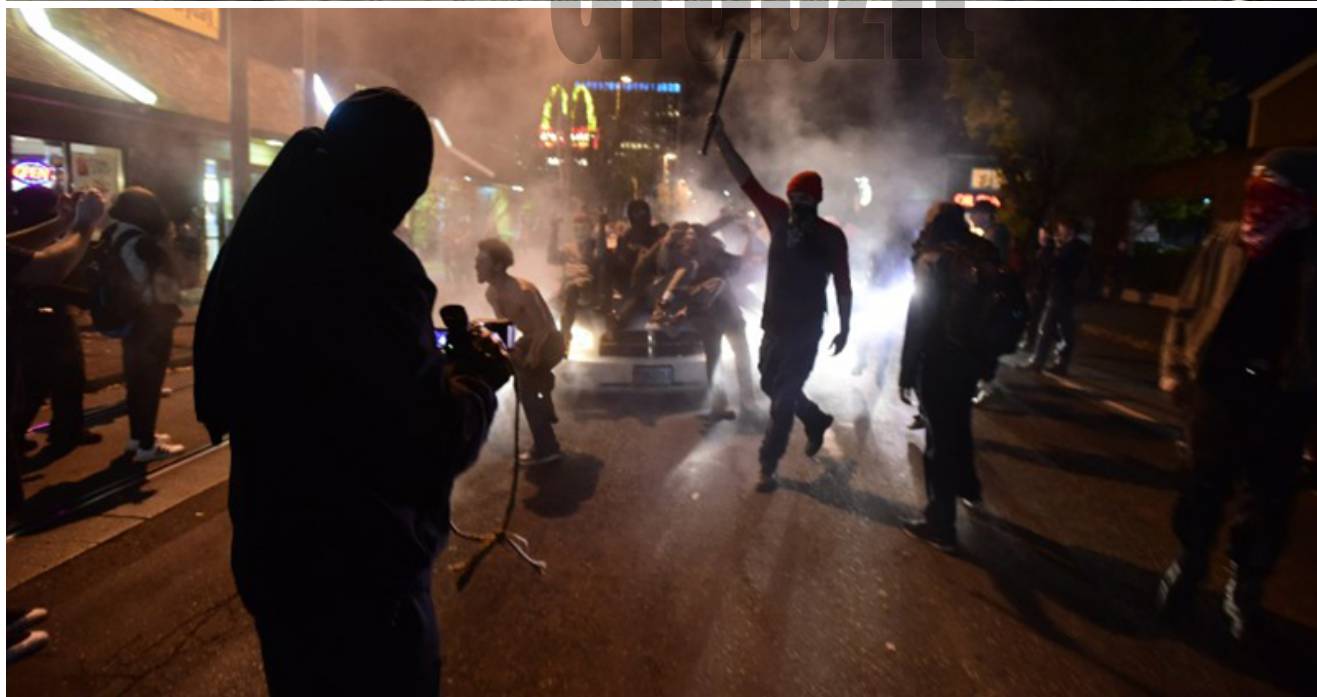
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## 2015 ORS § 609.100<sup>1</sup>

### Dog licenses, tags and fees

#### • • exemptions

(1) In a county or city having a dog control program under ORS [609.030 \(Establishing dog control district\)](#), [609.035 \(Definitions for ORS 609.035 to 609.110 and 609.990\)](#) to [609.110 \(Dog License Fund\)](#) and [609.405 \(Requirement for destroying dogs and cats\)](#), every person keeping a dog that has a set of permanent canine teeth or is six months old, whichever comes first, shall procure a license for the dog. The license must be procured by paying a license fee to the county in which the person resides not later than March 1 of each year or within 30 days after the person becomes keeper of the dog. However, the county governing body may provide for dates other than March 1 for annual payment of fees. The fee for the license shall be determined by the county governing body in such amount as it finds necessary to carry out ORS [609.035 \(Definitions for ORS 609.035 to 609.110 and 609.990\)](#) to [609.110 \(Dog License Fund\)](#). A license fee shall not be less than \$25 for each dog, except that the fee shall not be less than \$3 for each spayed female or neutered male dog for which a veterinarians certificate of operation for the spaying or neutering of the dog is presented to the county. If the person fails to procure a license within the time provided by this section, the county governing body may prescribe a penalty in an additional sum to be set by the governing body.

(2) The county shall, at the time of issuing a license, supply the licensee, without charge, with a suitable identification tag, which shall be fastened by the licensee to a collar and kept on the dog at all times when not in the immediate possession of the licensee.

(3) The license fees in subsection (1) of this section do not apply to dogs that are considered inventory under ORS [307.400 \(Inventory\)](#) and are not permitted to run at large. The county governing body may establish a separate license for dogs that cease to be considered inventory under ORS [307.400 \(Inventory\)](#), the fee for which shall not exceed \$5 per dog.

(4) A license fee is not required to be paid for any dog kept by a person who is blind and who uses the dog as a guide. A license shall be issued for such dog upon the filing by the person who is blind of an affidavit with the county showing that the dog qualifies for exemption.

(5) The county shall keep a record of dog licenses.

(6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section or ORS [609.015 \(Application of ORS 609.030 and 609.035 to 609.110\)](#), when the keeper of a dog obtains a license for the dog, that license is valid and is in lieu of a license for the dog required by any other city or county within this state, for the remainder of the license period:

(a) If the keeper of the dog changes residence to a city or county other than the city or county in which the license was issued; or

(b) If the keeper of the dog transfers the keeping of the dog to a person who resides in a city or county other than the city or county in which the license was issued. [Amended by 1953 c.27 §2; 1959 c.374 §1; 1969 c.677 §1; 1973 c.655 §4; 1977 c.189 §10; 1977 c.802 §8; 1987 c.240 §1; 1999 c.658 §§10,10a; 2001 c.753 §13; 2007 c.70 §280; 2011 c.607 §17; 2015 c.292 §2]

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<sup>1</sup> Legislative Counsel Committee, *CHAPTER 609—Dogs; Exotic Animals; Dealers*, [https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills\\_laws/ors/ors609.html](https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/ors/ors609.html) (2015) (last accessed Jul. 16, 2016).

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<sup>3</sup> OregonLaws.org assembles these lists by analyzing references between Sections. Each listed item refers back to the current Section in its own text. The result reveals relationships in the code that may not have otherwise been apparent.

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