

for the state in which the towed vehicle is registered. The tower shall have 15 days from the date of receipt of the information from the state motor vehicle agency to notify the owner of the towed vehicle or any other person with an interest in the towed vehicle, as indicated by the certificate of title. If notice under this paragraph is given by mail, it must be transmitted within 15 days from the receipt of information from the state motor vehicle agency, but need not be received within that period, but within a reasonable time. If the tower fails to comply with the notice requirements of this paragraph, the amount of the lien is limited to a sum equal to the reasonable expenses incurred within the period between storage of the towed vehicle and receipt of information from the state motor vehicle agency for towage, care and storage of the towed vehicle.

(5) The lien created by subsection (4) of this section may be foreclosed only in the manner provided by ORS 87.172 (3) and 87.176 to 87.206 for foreclosure of liens arising or claimed under ORS 87.152. [1953 c.575 §2; 1977 c.634 §1; 1979 c.100 §4; 1981 c.861 §25; 1983 c.436 §4; 1993 c.385 §2; 2001 c.424 §1; 2007 c.538 §11; 2009 c.622 §1]

98.814 [1953 c.575 §4; 1965 c.343 §21; repealed by 1983 c.436 §15]

98.816 [1953 c.575 §5; 1965 c.343 §22; repealed by 1983 c.436 §15]

98.818 Preference of lien. The lien created by ORS 98.812 shall have preference over any and all other liens or encumbrances upon the vehicle. [1953 c.575 §3; 2007 c.538 §11a]

98.830 Towing abandoned vehicle from private property; conditions. A person who is the owner, or is in lawful possession, of private property on which a vehicle has been abandoned may have a tower tow the vehicle from the property if:

(1) The person affixes a notice to the vehicle stating that the vehicle will be towed if it is not removed. The notice required by this subsection must remain on the vehicle for 72 hours before the vehicle may be removed.

(2) The person fills out and signs a form that includes:

(a) A description of the vehicle to be towed;

(b) The location of the property from which the vehicle will be towed; and

(c) A statement that the person has complied with subsection (1) of this section. [1995 c.758 §1; 2007 c.538 §12]

98.835 Immunity from civil liability for towing abandoned vehicle; lien for towage, care and storage charges; notice requirements. (1) A tower who tows a vehicle pursuant to ORS 98.830 is immune from

civil liability for towing the vehicle if the tower has a form described in ORS 98.830 (2), filled out by a person purporting to be the owner or a person in lawful possession of the private property from which the vehicle is towed. This subsection does not grant immunity for any loss, damage or injury arising out of any negligent or willful damage to, or destruction of, the vehicle that occurs during the course of the towing.

(2) The tower who tows a vehicle pursuant to ORS 98.830 is entitled to a lien on the towed vehicle and its contents for the tower's just and reasonable charges. The tower may retain possession of the towed vehicle until the just and reasonable charges for the towage, care and storage of the towed vehicle have been paid if the tower complies with the following requirements:

(a) The tower shall notify the local law enforcement agency of the location of the towed vehicle within one hour after the towed vehicle is placed in storage;

(b) If the towed vehicle is registered in Oregon, the tower shall give notice by first class mail with a certificate of mailing, within 15 days after the towed vehicle is placed in storage, to the owner of the towed vehicle and any other person with an interest in the towed vehicle, as indicated by the certificate of title. If notice under this paragraph is given by mail, it must be transmitted within the 15-day period, but need not be received within that period, but within a reasonable time. If the tower fails to comply with the notice requirements of this paragraph, the amount of the lien is limited to a sum equal to the reasonable expenses incurred within the 15-day period for towage, care and storage of the towed vehicle; and

(c) If the towed vehicle is not registered in Oregon, the tower shall, within 15 days after the towed vehicle is placed in storage, notify and request the title information and the name and address of the owner of the towed vehicle from the motor vehicle agency for the state in which the towed vehicle is registered. The tower shall have 15 days from the date of receipt of the information from the state motor vehicle agency to notify the owner of the towed vehicle or any other person with an interest in the towed vehicle, as indicated by the certificate of title. If notice under this paragraph is given by mail, it must be transmitted within 15 days from the receipt of information from the state motor vehicle agency, but need not be received within that period, but within a reasonable time. If the tower fails to comply with the notice requirements of this paragraph, the amount of the lien is limited to a sum equal to the reasonable expenses incurred within the period between storage of the towed ve-

NOTICE OF INTENT TO TOW

**THIS VEHICLE WILL BE TOWED AND REMOVED
FROM THIS PROPERTY AFTER 72 HOURS FROM
THE TIME AND DATE INDICATED BELOW, IN
ACCORDANCE WITH ORS 98.810 AND / OR 98.830**

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION _____

LICENSE NUMBER / STATE _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____

OWNER / REPRESENTATIVE _____
(PRINTED NAME)

DATE & TIME POSTED: _____

CERTIFICATION:

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE AFFIXED THIS NOTICE TO THIS VEHICLE ON THE TIME AND DATE INDICATED ABOVE AND WILL NOT HAVE THIS VEHICLE TOWED AND REMOVED FROM THE PREMISES NO SOONER THAN 72 HOURS FROM THIS DATE AND TIME.

SIGNATURE

DATE