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Senate Democrats Vote to Hike Marriage License Fees by 250%

SALEM, Ore. –Today, Senate Democrats voted to pass [Senate Bill 97](#), which increases the cost of a marriage license from \$10 to \$35—a **250% hike**.

“Getting married is a joyful milestone. Raising this fee might seem small to some, but for many Oregonians, every added cost matters. This fee hike is unnecessary,” said **Senator Mike McLane (R-Powell Butte)**.

“At a time when Oregonians are struggling with skyrocketing costs for housing, food, and gas, Democrats are nickel-and-diming them at every turn,” said **Senate Republican Leader Daniel Bonham (R-The Dalles)**. “This is death by 1,000 cuts. Whether it’s raising fees, pushing new taxes, or increasing the cost of basic services, they can’t help but make life more expensive.”

Senate Republicans opposed the bill, standing firm against cost increases that burden working families. The measure now moves to the **House of Representatives** for consideration.

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