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Action:	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
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Yeas:	Berger, Edwards C., Esquivel, Rosenbaum, Schaufler
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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Clarifies that a municipality may not assume the responsibility for administering and enforcing a building inspection program unless the municipality is subject to current statute relating to selective municipal building inspection programs prior to the assumption, or the responsibility for operating the program is being assumed from the Department of Consumer and Business Services. Establishes that the measure's provisions do not apply to the assumption of building inspection programs on or after July 1, 2010. Declares an emergency, effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Why the 35,000 population limitation was established in the original measure
- Current process for building inspection programs to be certified and approved
- Stakeholders that developed the measure's amendments
- Current status of certain cities in establishing and expanding building inspection programs

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the bill. Removes the reference point of "on or after January 1, 2002" in ORS 455.148, which relates to comprehensive municipal building inspection programs.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of HB 2478 A is to allow municipalities who currently have existing building inspection programs to continue while the Department of Consumer and Business Services' Building Codes Division works with stakeholders in establishing items such as a building inspector certification program and looking at the current system which oversees local building inspection programs. The measure sets up a three-year moratorium which allows current local building inspection programs to continue and expand the types of inspections and services they provide.

ORS 455.148 establishes the criteria for comprehensive municipal building inspection programs to be established by local jurisdictions, with the approval of the Department of Consumer and Business Services. A municipality that is authorized to administer a building inspection program is allowed to do so for a four year period.

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