

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** May have fiscal impact, statement not yet issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference
<b>Vote:</b>	5 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	George G., Kruse, Monnes Anderson, Verger, Morrisette
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
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<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	3/28, 4/25

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires DHS to conduct a pilot project by selecting and providing grants to an area agency in a rural county and an area agency in an urban county based on recommendations from all area agencies. Requires selected agencies to develop and implement comprehensive plans for the future needs of Oregonians between 40 and 64 and requires DHS to contract with statewide agencies to coordinate the projects. Appropriates money to DHS to provide grants and contract with coordinating agencies. Repeals sections of the Act on January 2, 2009. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Aging population in Oregon and across the country
- Oregon's system of long term care services
- Need to plan for needs of baby boomer generation
- Importance of focusing on implementing programs that will keep people from needing public assistance
- Need to assess whether communities have workforce needed to implement plans
- Financial impact of the measure
- Financial impact of the pilot project

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Removes requirement that every area agency develop a comprehensive plan for the future needs of baby boomers, requirement that DHS convenes a council to review comprehensive plans and develop a statewide plan. Requires DHS to conduct a pilot project by selecting and providing grants to an area agency in a rural county and an area agency in an urban county based on recommendations from all area agencies. Requires selected agencies to develop and implement comprehensive plans for the future needs of Oregonians between 40 and 64 and requires DHS to contract with statewide agencies to coordinate the projects. Appropriates money to DHS to provide grants and contract with coordinating agencies. Changes repeal date from June 30, 1019 to January 2, 2009. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**BACKGROUND:** The number of people in the United States over age 65 is forecast to more than double in the next 25 years, growing from 35 million to 72 million-or 20.7 percent of the U.S. population. In Oregon, the projections are even higher, as older adults currently comprise 13% of the state's population, and will comprise more than 25% of the population by 2050. Roughly 90% of this population will not be eligible for Medicaid related services. There is currently no comprehensive plan to deal with the needs of the baby boomer generation as they age. SB 996 A would provide grants to one area agency in a rural county and one area agency in an urban county to develop comprehensive plans to deal with the needs of Oregonians age 40 to 74 living in the selected counties.

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