

Senate Bill 96

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SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure **as introduced**.

Eliminates cap on competency testing fees charged to applicants for home inspector certification.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to home inspectors; amending ORS 701.350.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 701.350 is amended to read:

5 701.350. (1) An individual may not undertake, offer to undertake or submit a bid to do work as
6 a home inspector unless the individual is certified as a home inspector under this section by the
7 Construction Contractors Board and is an owner of, or employed by, a business that is licensed by
8 the board.

9 (2) A business may not undertake, offer to undertake or submit a bid to do work as a home in-
10 spector unless the business is licensed by the board under this chapter and has an owner or an
11 employee who is certified as a home inspector under this section.

12 (3) The board shall adopt minimum standards of practice and professional conduct.

13 (4) The board shall require that an applicant for certification as a home inspector pass a test
14 demonstrating the competency of the applicant to act as a home inspector. The board, by rule, may
15 accept the results of competency testing by a nationally recognized certification program for home
16 inspectors. The board, by rule, may adopt additional requirements for the issuance or renewal of
17 a home inspector certificate, including but not limited to training and continuing education re-
18 quirements.

19 (5) The board by rule shall adopt procedures for the issuance, renewal and revocation of home
20 inspector certification.

21 (6) The board by rule may adopt fees necessary for the administration of this section. The fees
22 may not exceed the following:

23 (a) \$50 for application; **and**

24 *[(b) \$50 for testing; and]*

25 *[(c)]* (b) \$75 for annual certificate renewal.

26 (7) **In addition to any fees adopted under subsection (6) of this section, the board may**
27 **adopt rules establishing a competency testing fee for home inspector certification applicants.**

28 *[(7)]* (8) This section does not apply to a person acting within the scope of a license, certificate
29 or registration issued to the person by the Appraiser Certification and Licensure Board under ORS
30 chapter 674.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

