75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 58
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY CARRIER: Sen, Burdick

Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Public Affairs

REVENUE: No revenue impact **FISCAL:** No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass **Vote:** 5 - 0 - 0

Yeas: Burdick, George, Girod, Rosenbaum, Bonamici

Nays: 0 Exc.: 0

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Meeting Dates: 1/29, 2/10

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Exempts disabled tenants from requirement to restore interior of dwelling to pre-modification condition if landlord did not condition modification on restoration of dwelling to pre-modification condition. Makes Oregon law substantially equivalent to federal law. Clarifies statutory language. Declares emergency; effective on passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Statutory provisions
- BOLI HUD contract requirements

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) contracts with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to investigate cases of fair housing discrimination. The contract allows Oregon complainants to have their cases investigated locally, rather than from HUD's regional office in Seattle. Maintaining this contract requires that Oregon law show substantial equivalency to federal law. SB 58 makes Oregon law regarding the pre-modification condition of a dwelling occupied by a disabled tenant consistent with federal law. Passage of both SB 58 and SB 59 is necessary to show substantial equivalency between state and federal law.