## 76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY Senate Committee on Rules

MEASURE: HB 3317 B CARRIER: Sen. Ferrioli

FISCAL: No fiscal impact	
Action:	Do Pass the B-Engrossed Measure
Vote:	4 - 1 - 0
Yeas:	Beyer, Burdick, Ferrioli, Rosenbaum
Nays:	Atkinson
Exc.:	0
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Meeting Dates:	6/9

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Modifies provisions regulating communities governed by declarations. Provides process for removing board directors by owners. Provides process to obtain lenders' approval when required. Provides that easement may be granted over limited common element of condominium when five or more units are affected. Allows governing board to impose conditions for approval to change appearance of unit. Allows executive session to be closed to owners if purpose is to consult with legal counsel on any issue, not restricted to specified matters.

## **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Provisions of measure
- Participants in condominium and home owners association work group
- Issues related to condominium and home owners associations measure resolves

## EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** There are three primary features that distinguish owners of planned communities or condominiums from traditional forms of home ownership: owners become members of the association and must abide by covenants, conditions and restrictions; owners share ownership or right to use common land and have access to amenities; and owners pay assessments for upkeep of common areas.

The number of owners in planned communities is growing in the United States and Oregon, partly because local jurisdictions are reducing costs by having new developments provide for the creation of a homeowners association that will own and maintain open spaces and streets.