

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

**Vote:** 5 - 1 - 0

**Yeas:** Atkinson, Burdick, Edwards, Starr, Beyer

**Nays:** Girod

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/31, 4/18, 4/21

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires manufacturers to affix statement on all bicycle trailers designed for human passengers that informs purchaser of conformity or nonconformity to ASTM International specification F1975-09. Allows purchaser of bicycle trailer to bring civil action against manufacturer if does not conform to standards within two years from date of purchase. Requires a court to award a prevailing plaintiff reasonable costs and attorney fees. Applies to bicycle trailers sold on or after effective date.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Safety issues with bicycle trailers
- Quality of foreign manufactured bike trailers
- Parties liable in lawsuits
- Parties able to obtain reasonable costs and attorney fees

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** Replaces original measure.

**BACKGROUND:** Oregon statute does not address standards for trailers sold for human passengers. Senate Bill 846 A applies only to new products, not existing trailers.