

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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<b>Action:</b>	Do Pass and Be Placed on the Consent Calendar
<b>Vote:</b>	9 - 0 - 0
<b>Yeas:</b>	Doherty, Johnson, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Richardson, Smith, Thatcher, Vega Pederson, Holvey
<b>Nays:</b>	0
<b>Exc.:</b>	0
<b>Prepared By:</b>	Bob Estabrook, Administrator
<b>Meeting Dates:</b>	2/28, 3/7

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Increases maximum amount of procurement that qualifies as small procurement under Public Contracting Code from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Age of existing value cap
- Agency procurement experiences under existing cap
- Contract opportunities for minority, women and emerging small businesses
- Rural purchasing opportunities
- Transparency on small procurements

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** Oregon’s Public Contracting Code establishes process requirements for specific public procurements, including small and intermediate procurements which are determined by the dollar amount of the procurement. Though there are specific exemptions, the Public Contracting Code applies to all public contracting. Small procurements may be awarded in any manner deemed practical or convenient by the contracting agency, while contracting agencies must seek at least three informal bids on each intermediate procurement and document the competitive price quotes or proposals they receive. Intermediate procurements requirements apply to procurements exceeding the small procurement level but not exceeding \$150,000. House Bill 2212 raises the maximum value of a small procurement from \$5,000 to \$10,000.