

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Fiscal statement issued

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**Action:** Without Recommendation as to Passage and Be Referred to the Committee on Rules and then Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference

**Vote:** 7 - 2 - 0

**Yeas:** Doherty, Keny-Guyer, Lively, Richardson, Smith, Vega Pederson, Holvey

**Nays:** Johnson, Thatcher

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 3/7, 4/17

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Requires Director of Department of Consumer and Business Services to administer and enforce state building codes for all capital construction projects that receive or are reasonably expected to receive more than \$1,000,000 in state-supplied funding. Authorizes Director to enter into partnership agreements with public bodies. Grants Department rule making authority and allows establishment of fees. Defines “capital construction project” and “state-supplied funding.” Applies to capital construction projects for which building permit applications are filed on or after January 1, 2014. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Impact to local building inspection programs
- Comparison of locally administered programs to dealing with Building Codes Division directly
- Fee differential for large building projects or for expedited review services
- Request to refer measure to Committee on Rules for further consideration

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

**BACKGROUND:** The Building Codes Division (BCD) provides code development, administration, inspection, plan review, licensing, and permit services to the construction industry. The Division was added to the newly formed Department of Consumer and Business Services in 1993. Oregon Revised Statutes 310.140 provides a definition of “capital construction” as applies to tax limitations, but capitol construction projects are not specifically mentioned in the Building Code chapter of the ORS (Chapter 455).

House Bill 3145 specifies that the administration and enforcement of the state building code provisions for capital construction projects receiving more than \$1 million in state funding lies with the Department of Consumer and Business Services.