House Bill 3186

Sponsored by Representative MCLANE (at the request of Deschutes County Citizen's Action Group)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Directs Environmental Quality Commission to consider economic factors when adopting certain rules related to alternative sewage disposal systems.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to sewage; creating new provisions; amending ORS 454.615; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. ORS 454.615 is amended to read:

454.615. (1) The Environmental Quality Commission shall adopt rules that:

[(1)] (a) Prescribe minimum requirements for the design and construction of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal systems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof including grading, excavating and earth-moving work connected therewith, and allow for use of alternative systems and component materials consistent with the minimum requirements. Requirements prescribed under this section may vary in different areas or regions of the state.

[(2)] (b) Prescribe minimum requirements for the operation and maintenance of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal systems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof.

[(3)] (c) Prescribe requirements for the pumping out or cleaning of subsurface sewage disposal systems, alternative sewage disposal systems and nonwater-carried sewage disposal facilities or parts thereof, for the disposal of material derived from such pumping out or cleaning, for sewage pumping equipment, for sewage tank trucks and for the identification of sewage tank trucks and workers.

(2) In adopting rules under this section related to alternative sewage disposal systems, the Environmental Quality Commission shall, to the greatest extent practicable, seek to minimize the negative economic impacts that will be incurred by homeowners and businesses.

SECTION 2. The amendments to ORS 454.615 by section 1 of this 2013 Act apply to rules adopted by the Environmental Quality Commission on or after the effective date of this 2013 Act.

SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect on its passage.

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